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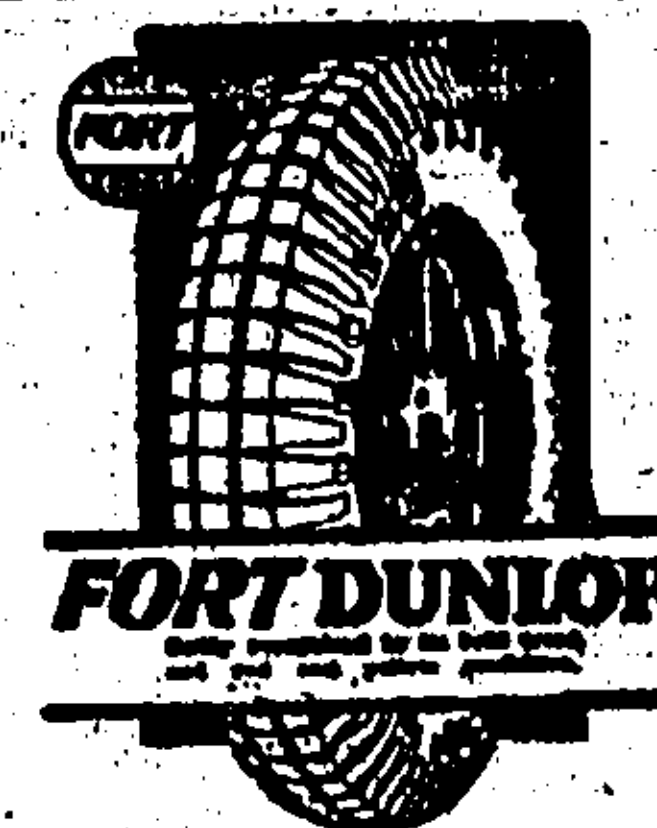
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IRREGULAR MEETING ALLEGED

ARGUMENTS IN THE SZE YAP APPEAL

QUESTION OF NOTICE.

CHAIRMAN'S LEGAL POWERS DISCUSSED

Submissions that notices convening a meeting of shareholders of the Sze Yap Company were imperfect and irregular and invalid, were made by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, on behalf of the appellant, ex-directors, before the Full Court of Appeal this morning.

Mr. Jenkin also alleged that he had been precluded in the Lower Court from contending that the onus of proof of service of notice was upon plaintiffs. In fact, some of his witnesses had denied receipt of notices. Again, the time of the notice was too short for statutory requirements.

Counsel also dealt with the statutory powers of a chairman as regards declaration of voting, and authority to close a meeting.

UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS

The Court is composed of Sir Peter Grain, sitting as President, the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph H. Kemp, K.C.), and Mr. Justice Lindell.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, with Mr. Leo d'Almada, jun., is appearing for the defendants-appellants (the old directors of the company), being instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada, sen.; whilst Mr. H. G. Sheldon appears for the Sze Yap Company, plaintiffs-respondents, being instructed by Messrs. d'Almada and Mason.

Mr. Jenkin, before continuing his legal argument, said that he would like to put right something he had said yesterday, and which had arisen out of a question by the President. He (counsel) had produced a minute book then, with an entry concerning the meeting of July 8. He wished to explain that that book was not the minute book of the company. There were in fact two lots of minutes kept, one by either side, but there was no entry in the company minute book concerning the meeting.

Mr. Justice Lindell: Then this book you speak of was really a sort of private minute book belonging to Mr. Li Yu-tong?

Mr. Jenkin: Not exactly that, My Lord, but it was at any rate a non-company book. I understand that the original minutes were kept on a piece of paper, and later a clean copy was made into the book.

No Value As Evidence.

The Chief Justice (Sir J. H. Kemp): What is the bearing of all this on the case?—If what I had been told had been the proper minute book, then the entry would be prima facie evidence that the meeting had been properly held and conducted. However, I don't think the book I had yesterday was of any evidential value.

Mr. Sheldon rose to interpose, but Mr. Jenkin explained that he was making a point against his own case. He did so because it arose out of a question from the President.

Mr. Jenkin then went on to deal with the question of notice of meeting to the shareholders. He had already submitted that notice by advertisement was no notice at all. Now he wished to deal with the question of service of notice. When the requisitionists called the extraordinary meeting they were acting with authority to do so for the first time only. Their authority to call a confirmatory meeting could not arise until the directors had failed to do so for a period of seven days from the date of the first resolution. Not until the directors had failed to exercise their authority for this period had the requisitionists any

statutory power to convene a company meeting.

Resolutions Invalid? Counsel quoted authorities in support of this argument. He maintained that it had been laid down that if any company meeting was held without such due authority, then the resolutions passed at such a meeting were invalid.

Mr. Jenkin's next point was that misleading or insufficient notice would invalidate any resolution passed at a subsequent meeting. It was essential in calling the second and confirmatory meeting, that the exact terms of the resolutions to be considered should be set out. There was no power to vary, or amend those resolutions at the confirmatory meeting. They had to be voted on just as the notice set out, or at least substantially set out. The law on the point was most precise.

It was his submission that the resolutions in this case were not set out fully, which would invalidate them had they been passed.

Length Of Notice.

The third point was that of length of notice. In the absence of any other provision in the Articles the Ordinance laid down a meeting could be called at seven days notice. In this case the articles did not contain any such provision. But both notices, the advertisement and the circular, were dated July 17, and called a meeting for July 24. Counsel maintained that this was too short a period in point of law, because the seven days must be calculated exclusive of the day of issue or service and the day of the meeting.

Onus Of Proof.

Continuing, Mr. Jenkin said that he had been precluded from addressing the Court below on the fact that the plaintiffs had not proved notices were sent out to all the shareholders. His contention had been that plaintiffs had the onus of proof upon them to show this had been done. No evidence had been produced by plaintiffs to this effect, and he did not think it was his duty in cross-examination to prove their case for them.

Consequently the point had not been dealt with, but nevertheless the Trial Judge had stopped him (Mr. Jenkin) from bringing up the matter after the evidence had all been taken. If the Court now took that view he would have to bow to the previous decision.

Printer's Evidence Useless. Some discussion followed, Mr. Sheldon, for plaintiffs-respondents, stating that the printer had given evidence. Mr. Jenkin: That doesn't matter. He said he had printed two thousand copies. If he had printed

OUTDOING GERMANY

NEW HUNGARIAN DECREE.

MONEY CONTROL

DETECTIVES ON THE FRONTIER.

Budapest, Yesterday.

Hungary is outdoing Germany in the severity of emergency decrees; the latest of which absolutely forbids money to be sent out of the country in any form, except with the permission of the National Bank. Detectives are supervising the frontier in order to prevent any infraction.—Reuter.

two million it would have been no proof of service.

The Chief Justice: Then you claim that plaintiffs in the Lower Court did not prove an essential point of their case?—Yes, my Lord.

Mr. Sheldon rose to say that if the point was going to be taken he would remark that there was no cross-examination in the Court below. It was never put to the plaintiffs' witness who had said notices were sent out that in fact they were not.

Mr. Jenkin: But I did examine the witness as to the sending out of notices. He made a bald statement that they were, and then I asked him various details which he did not know.

The President: He did not say that he sent them out himself, in fact? No, my Lord, he did not.

Mr. Sheldon: But my friend never put it to witness that the notices were not sent. That is the real point.

Mr. Jenkin: There is no question that I brought it fully home to plaintiffs that they had to prove the sending out, because I made it clear during Mr. Potter's opening speech, and the judge noted the fact.

Point Reserved.

Mr. Jenkin went on to remark that several of his witnesses had actually denied receiving notice, whereupon the Chief Justice remarked that such evidence hardly helped him in his contention as to the onus of proof being upon the other side.

Mr. Sheldon: One of my friend's witnesses gave evidence in chief, was then cross-examined, and later, in re-examination, said "I did not receive a copy."

Mr. Jenkin: I received permission from the judge to put that extra question. Mr. Potter was at liberty to cross-examine upon it.

Mr. Sheldon: The statement was not made in evidence-in-chief.

The President intimated that the point would be reserved.

Mr. Jenkin agreed, pointing out that he made it clear from the beginning that he denied issue of notices, or that they had been all sent out.

Powers of Chairman. Continuing, Mr. Jenkin took up the question of the chairman's declaration. He claimed that in the absence of fraud or inaccuracy the chairman's declaration was conclusive.

Mr. Sheldon entered a formal protest against the argument, saying that it had never even been hinted at in the Lower Court.

The Chief Justice: I suppose you say, if you are permitted to take this point, that the chairman declared the eight resolutions (of the requisitionists) negative?

Mr. Jenkin: Yes, my Lord.

Have you any evidence on the point?—I am relying upon the verbal declaration at the meeting that a resolution was carried that they deal with chartering and dividend matters alone.

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SHIP TO SHORE

NEW TELEPHONE EXPERIMENT.

"CLAN LINER"

CONNECTED WITH CITIES.

Rugby, Yesterday.

An interesting experiment was inaugurated in Newport Docks, South Wales, to-day, when a Clan Line steamer was connected telephonically with London, Glasgow and Liverpool. Cables had been laid to the general cargo side of the docks, where nine plugging in switches had been installed.

The Clan Line has used Newport Docks for forty years and, it is estimated, it has carried two million tons of cargo to Egypt and other parts of Africa, including locomotives and railway carriages.

Similar facilities for the connection of ships berthed in dock to the Trunk Telephone Service will be available soon at Swansea and Cardiff.—British Wireless Service.

CLOUDY AND SOME RAIN.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning at 10.44 o'clock says:—

The typhoon is shown as a somewhat deep depression S.E. of Changsha.

A feeble anticyclone is central between S.W. of Japan and the Bonins.

Forecast: S.W. winds, moderate; generally cloudy, some rain.

The American Consulate, General received the following telegram from the Manila Observatory at 11.20 a.m. to-day:—

Typhoon in about 115 degrees Long E. and 28 degrees Lat N. moving W.N.W.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, nil. Total since January 1—50.05 inches against an average of 57.18 inches—deficit 7.08 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 83
Macao 81
Pratas Island 88
Manila 76
Fochow 82
Chefoo 77
Shanghai 81

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Slumps and Then Recovers.

INCREASED BUYING.

London, Yesterday.

Following this morning's slump, cotton prices later in the day showed some recovery in consequence of low values attracting increased buying interest, especially from the Continent.

Earlier News.

The Liverpool cotton market is staggered by the great increase in production set out in the official United States estimate.

Futures opened about one hundred points lower, equal to a penny a lb., but have now slightly rallied.—Reuter.

RECKLESS CAR DRIVERS.

Accidents Narrowly Averted.

HEAVY FINES.

Many traffic offenders were dealt with by Mr. Williams in the Central Police Court this morning, and fines totalling nearly \$80, were imposed for dangerous driving.

An Obstructionist.

A fine of \$20 was imposed on the Chinese driver of a public car who, according to Traffic Sergeant Brown, had caused an obstruction in Hill Road. On seeing the Sergeant defendant drove off at a fast speed, causing pedestrians in the street to scatter in all directions. "It was just an attempt to get away from me," added Sergeant Brown.

Inspector Alexander said that defendant had had two accidents, and had been taken before the Inspector-General of Police and warned.

He was fined \$20.

A Lucky Escape.

Whilst proceeding along Island Road, on the afternoon of July 28, a party of Police motor cyclists, headed by Traffic Sergeant Brown, had a narrow escape from from might have been a very serious accident. It appears that a public car, driven by a Chinese, came round a bend, from the opposite direction to the cyclists, and on the wrong side of the road. The incident happened just past the Deep Water Bay golf links, where there is a bad bend. "If we were driving motor cars we would have collided with the defendants car."

Defendant, who had three previous convictions for dangerous driving, was fined \$25.

Speeding.

Coming out from O'Brien Road, a Chinese public car driver was said to have driven at a speed of 35 miles an hour across Lockhart Road. Traffic Sergeant Baker said that defendant did sound his horn, but, even then, if there had been any other car passing at the time there would have been a nasty smash. A fine of \$20 was imposed.

Dangerous Driving.

Prosecuting a Chinese driver for dangerous driving.

Traffic Sergeant Brown said that defendant drove at a speed of 35 miles per hour from a private parking stand (where he had no business to be) down Whitty Street to Queen's Road West turning to French Street, finally stopping, and turning off his lights.

Defendant was fined \$10 for speeding and \$5 for parking at a private stand.

Touting.

In another case, Traffic Inspector Alexander said that a Chinese parked his car twenty feet on the roadway at the junction of Connaught Road West and Des Voeux Road, near the Macao steamers' wharf. At the time, defendant was also touting for passengers, having his door open as an invitation to fares. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Ignored Traffic Signal.

Prosecuting another Chinese for disobeying traffic signals, Traffic Inspector Alexander said that he was riding, his motor cycle down Garden Road. About 50 yards from the signal post, which is at the junction of Queen's Road Central and Garden Road, the green light was shown in his favour.

Defendant, who had the red light against him, drove on and stopped alongside the post just in time to avoid a collision. Defendant had two previous convictions, and was fined \$10.

ON STATE AFFAIRS

PREMIER RETURNS TO LONDON.

MANY MEETINGS

ECONOMY REPORT CONSIDERED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who has been in Scotland since the House of Commons rose for the Summer vacation, is returning to London from Lossiemouth by train to-night.

It is understood that the Premier wishes to gain closer touch with current State business. It is his intention to see as many Ministers as are in London to-morrow. The whole general situation, both political and financial, is expected to engage the attention of Mr. MacDonald and his colleagues for the next day or two.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, will, probably, return to London from his home at Ilford, Surrey.

It has been previously arranged that Mr. MacDonald should come south for a meeting on August 24 of the Cabinet Sub-Committee which is to consider the report of the Economy Committee.

It is not possible to say if these arrangements will be modified, or if the Sub-Committee will meet earlier, but the Economy Report is bound to be one of the leading subjects under discussion between the Ministers.

It is believed that the Prime Minister hopes to transact the immediate business in hand within a day or two and return to Lossiemouth to resume his holidays.—British Wireless Service.

Speculation Rife.

London, Yesterday. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald unexpectedly left Lossiemouth last night for London and opened the floodgates of speculation. Political wisecracks are foreshadowing vital moves in the political and financial situation.

Economy Report.

Apart from his two days' meeting with Mr. Stimson, Mr. MacDonald found time to digest the weighty report of the Economy Committee which was published before the prorogation of Parliament. The Report emphasised the importance of drastic economies if national bankruptcy was to be avoided.

Measure for Salvation?

The report may have so impressed Mr. MacDonald that he decided the Cabinet Committee comprising himself, Mr. Snowden, Mr. A. Henderson, and Mr. Thomas Graham should meet immediately to concert measures of salvation, although the Committee was not due to meet till a fortnight hence. All members of the Committee were holidaying within easy distance of London.

Snowden's Gigantic Conversion Scheme.

It is likely also that Mr. Snowden desires to put the finishing touches to his announced gigantic conversion scheme and, therefore, is anxious to know how far his colleagues are inclined to follow the recommendations of the Economy Committee, especially where social services are concerned.—Reuter.

To Sell R100?

London, Aug. 8. Among other drastic economies recommended in the report of the Committee on National Expenditure, the investigators recommended the immediate sale or dismantlement of Great Britain's great dirigible, the R-100.

The Committee on National Expenditure was established on

WAIT AND SEE

BANK EXPERTS MEET.

GERMAN CREDITS

NEGOTIATIONS DIRECT.

Rugby, Yesterday.

There was a meeting to-day at Basle of the Committee of Banking Experts, which the Seven Power Conference on July 23 requested the Bank of International Settlement "to set up to inquire into the immediate further credit needs of Germany, and to study the possibilities of converting a portion of her short term credits into long term."

The Committee consists of representatives nominated by the Governor of Central Banks and is presided over by Mr. Albert Biggin, United States member.

It took note of the direct negotiations now proceeding between London, New York, Paris and Zurich, and reached the conclusion that no decision should be taken until the results of these negotiations are known.

The British member is Sir Walter Layton, a Director of the Bank of England.—British Wireless Service.

The amount of timber cut in the district of Thunder Bay during the year ending June 10, 1931, is reported by the Crown Timber Agent as follows, with the previous year's figures in brackets: Sawlogs: 250,036 pieces (182,109 pieces), dimension timber 18,514 pieces (6,260), telegraph poles 12,842 pieces (2,855), cedar posts 24,112 pieces (9,201), railway ties 240,567 pieces (228,297), and pulpwood 175,625 cords (642,087 cords).

February 11 under the Chairmanship of Sir George May. Its report recommends a large number of economies in Governmental expenditure totalling \$95,500,000.

Dole Cut Urged.

The economies recommended by the members of Sir George May's committee strike at practically every phase of national expenditure. They include a 20 per cent. reduction in unemployment insurance or "dole" payments with a consequent saving of \$66,500,000. They include a reduction in the road fund expenditure by \$7,865,000.

Among the recommendations of the Committee on National Expenditure is one providing for the introduction of the 1925 rates of pay for all fighting services with a consequent saving of \$2,199,000. There is also recommended a 12½ per cent. in the pay of British policemen with a saving of \$295,000.

Economy Report.

The economy report states that its recommendations are based on the following considerations:—

1.—The rise in the value of money during recent years.

2.—The existing financial difficulties necessitate the Governmental consideration of expenditure in just the same way that individuals have been forced to reduce their budgets.

Nation Warned.

3.—The strictest economy of Great Britain's trade is to be restored to its pre-war level of prosperity. The same economy and efficiency must be effected; if unemployment is to be reduced substantially.

In its conclusion the report warns that unless its recommendations are adopted the only alternative is a most heavy increase in taxation coupled with borrowing. "That would lead inevitably to the intensification of our financial difficulties," the report avers.—United Press.

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

CRAIGENGOWER WIN LAST FIXTURE.

M.B.K. Lose Heavily at
Happy Valley.

LEAGUE TENNIS.

The Craigengower C.C. defeated
the M.B.K. yesterday in the "B"
Division of the Tennis League by
7½ sets to 1½ and thus concluded
their fixture list for the season.

Scores:—
W. J. Howard and Y. Hachuma
(C.C.C.)—
beat Fukushima and Matsuo 6-4
beat Nakamura and Toichi 6-4
drew with Morinaka and Edo 6-6
J. W. Leonard and Geo. Lia
(C.C.C.)—
beat Fukushima and Matsuo 6-2
beat Nakamura and Toichi 6-1
beat Morinaka and Edo 6-2
E. Zimmermann and F. Zimmermann
(C.C.C.)—
drew with Fukushima and
Matsuo 6-6
beat Nakamura and Toichi 6-2
drew with Morinaka and Edo 6-6

League Table to Date.

	Sets.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Chinese R.C.	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	16
Recreio	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	20
C.C.C.	11	8	0	3	0	0	0	16
University	10	6	1	3	0	0	0	13
C.S.C.C.	10	5	2	3	0	0	0	12
H.K.C.C.	11	5	2	4	0	0	0	12
Indian R.C.	9	4	1	4	0	0	0	9
Army C.C.	8	4	0	4	0	0	0	8
Kowloon C.C.	9	2	0	7	0	0	0	4
M.B.K.	7	1	0	6	0	0	0	2
S. China	8	1	0	7	0	0	0	2
Nippon C.C.	11	1	0	10	0	0	0	2

CYCLING BOOM IN BRITAIN.

Turned Out by the
Thousands.

AGAIN FASHIONABLE?

Apparently a trade boom has
been created in the Birmingham
area by a brisk demand for pedal
cycles. Increased orders come al-
most wholly from the home market.
The most up to date pedal cycle
may be acquired by an initial pay-
ment of 10s.

One firm is turning out 1,000
machines a day—nearly twice as
many as at this time last year—
and hopes to equal the record of
1929, when 300,000 cycles were
made. The firm in question also
anticipates increased riders from
India in the Autumn.

Another firm reports a steady in-
crease in orders for women's cycles
and there is a revival of the demand
for the tandem. It is difficult to
account for this boom unless many
who went in for small motor cars
or motor cycles have decided they
cannot afford them.

Perhaps cycles are going to be-
come fashionable again, and they
seem all very well in quiet districts
but in big towns with endless motor
traffic they look very dangerous and
one has need to be an expert rider.

WATER POLO LEAGUE RESULT.

KOWLOON WIN.

The V.R.C. last night staged the
concluding match of the First Divi-
sion programme when Kowloon de-
feated the Chinese Bathing Club
by two goals to nil.

League Table to Date.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
V.R.C.	10	10	0	0	0	0	20
Chinese Ath.	9	0	2	1	40	12	13
Kowloon	9	4	2	2	28	10	10
Chinese B.C.	9	3	5	1	9	23	7
Royal Navy	3	2	0	0	8	37	4
Borderers	9	0	0	0	5	58	0

"Jackie Brown" is still flyweight
champion of Europe, but one thing,
however, he did not let us see in his
fight with Sava and that was that
he is not so markedly superior to
the rest of the Continental cham-
pions as to lead us to think that he
would have an even money chance
in a battle for the world's flyweight
title. It may be his style, it may
be that he is counting on speed to
win him that world's title, but un-
less he governs that speed of his
and couples it with cool-headed and
effective hitting, he will never wear
a world's crown.—Norman Hurst.

ENGLAND ELEVEN SELECTED.

Two Changes Made for
Third Test.

LARWOOD AND PAYNTER.

Bakewell And Tate
Dropped.

The following have been select-
ed to represent England in the
third Test Match against the New
Zealand touring eleven at Old
Trafford, Manchester, on Satur-
day:—
D. R. Jardine (Surrey)—(captain).
K. S. Duleepsinhji (Sussex).
G. O. Allen (Middlesex).
I. A. R. Peebles (Middlesex).
F. R. Brown (Cambridge U.).
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire).
Hammond (Gloucester).
Arnold (Hampshire).
Ames (Kent).
Larwood (Notts)—and
Paynter (Lancashire).
This shows two changes in the
successful eleven at the Oval.
Larwood, the Notts fast bowler,
taking the place of Tate; and
Paynter, the Lancashire batsman,
that of Bakewell.—Reuter.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

LAWN TENNIS—To-morrow—
Mixed Doubles—Chinese R.C. v.
Club de Recreio; United Services
R.C. v. Indian R.C.; University v.
Kowloon C.C.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—
First Division—Kowloon Dock
R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.; Kow-
loon C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.;
Police R.C. v. Club de Re-
creio; Civil Service C.C. v. Tai-
koo R.C.; Second Division—Tai-
koo R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.
v. Yacht Club; Craigengower C.C.
v. Kowloon C.C.; Club de Recreio
v. Civil Service C.C.; Kowloon
B.G.C. v. Hong Kong Electric R.C.

ABROAD.

CRICKET—To-day—
Young Amateurs v. Young Pro-
fessionals.

Surrey v. Middlesex.
Lancashire v. Hampshire.
Somersetshire v. Worcester.
Glamorgan v. Essex.
Yorkshire v. Northants.
Notts v. Derbyshire.
Sussex v. Kent.

Gloucester v. New Zealand.
To-morrow, Thursday and Friday.
Middlesex v. Warwickshire.
Somerset v. Northamptonshire.
Yorkshire v. Glamorgan.
Hampshire v. Kent.

Worcestershire v. Surrey.
Gloucestershire v. Sussex.
Notts v. Leicestershire.

Saturday, Monday and Tuesday—
Yorkshire v. Middlesex.
Lancashire v. New Zealand.
Somerset v. Sussex.

Leicestershire v. Glamorgan.
Northamptonshire v. Derbyshire.
Kent v. Notts.

Hampshire v. Essex.
Gloucestershire v. Surrey.
Worcestershire v. Warwickshire.

GOLF—To-day to Saturday—
Canadian Amateur Championship.
To-day—Irish Amateur Cham-
pionship.

SWIMMING—To-morrow to
Friday—Army Championships.

FOOTBALL—Saturday—Scot-
tish League.

SPECTATOR MAKES HIS DEBUT.

Knocks Wrestler
Unconscious.

THE STRANGLE-HOLD.

Baltimore, July 10.
A wrestling bout here recently
between Dick Davis and Gino
Garibaldi was brought to a sudden
end when a spectator rushed into
the ring and knocked Davis out
unconscious with a blow on the
jaw.

The wrestlers had been in the
ring about 20 minutes and Davis,
a Californian, had a strange
hold on his Italian opponent at the
time of the attack. The assailant,
sitting at the ringside, was describ-
ed as a foreigner and well over six
feet in height.

He was arrested and charged
with disorderly conduct. At the
police station he gave the name of
Thomas Lusso, and a Baltimore
address.

THE M.C.C. TOUR OF INDIA.

Bombay Resolution
Rescinded.

STRONG OPPOSITION.

Bombay, July 20.
A meeting of the general body of
the Hindu Gymkhana, specially
convened last night, passed a re-
solution, rescinding the resolution
of June 15, 1930, on the M.C.C.
boycott and appointing a Special
Committee, consisting of Messrs.
L. R. Tairnee, Thakral Hirani
Vakil, V. G. Mulgaonkar, Roy
Chand-Javeri and V. S. Dongre, to
carry on negotiations in the realm
of sport so that the Gymkhana
could participate in the M.C.C. and
Quadrangular matches on terms
consistent with the self-respect of
the Hindu community.

No arrangements are to be final-
ly concluded until the same are
accepted by the general body.

The meeting was strongly of
opinion that the time had now ar-
rived when tournament cricket
matches on a communal basis
should be discontinued and
matches on a non-communal basis
arranged. This compromise re-
solution was adopted after nearly
two hours' lengthy discussion. One
section was opposed to participa-
tion in the M.C.C. matches or any
other matches, organised by the
All-India Cricket Control Board,
which was not a representative or-
ganisation.

The Hindus, the majority com-
munity, were not represented on it.
The M.C.C. visits were too costly
and there was no adequate return
for the money spent.

Another school agreed that the
Cricket Control Board was not re-
presentative but it was purely a
matter for negotiation and on no
account should the Hindu Gym-
khana refuse to play matches with
the M.C.C. and in the Quadrangu-
lar Tournament. The purpose of
last year's resolution had been
served.

AMAZING SCENE AT FOOTBALL GAME.

Crowd Incensed by Bad
Sportsmanship.

GERMAN AFFAIR.

A disgraceful scene occurred to-
wards the end of the football
match between the Berlin club
Hertha and the Bavarian Furth
club in the semi-final of the Ger-
man football championship, in
Berlin recently.

Enraged by the fact that his
club were losing, a Furth player
ran up to a member of the Hertha
club as the latter was taking a
free-kick, and kicked him. The
Hertha player was carried away
unconscious to hospital. The spec-
tators, incensed by the Furth
player's conduct, rushed on to the
field and fell upon him. They mis-
handed him so badly that he too
had to be taken to hospital.

SPEY ROYAL CUP RESULT.

Kowloon Dock Enter
Semi-Final.

Playing on the K.C.C. ground
yesterday before a large number of
spectators, in the Spey Royal Cup
competition, the Kowloon Dock
easily defeated the Civil Service
by 18 shots and thus qualified for
the semi-final.

Holding a lead throughout the
winners were never seriously chal-
lenged. Lapsley was the hero of
the game, but even so, the Dock
players, man for man, were much
the superior of their opponents.

Scores:—
Kowloon Dock. Civil Service.
W. Hodley. Jas. T. Dobbie
J. C. Brown. S. Alderman
E. Lapsley. A. H. Oswick
F. C. Cullen. J. Gregory
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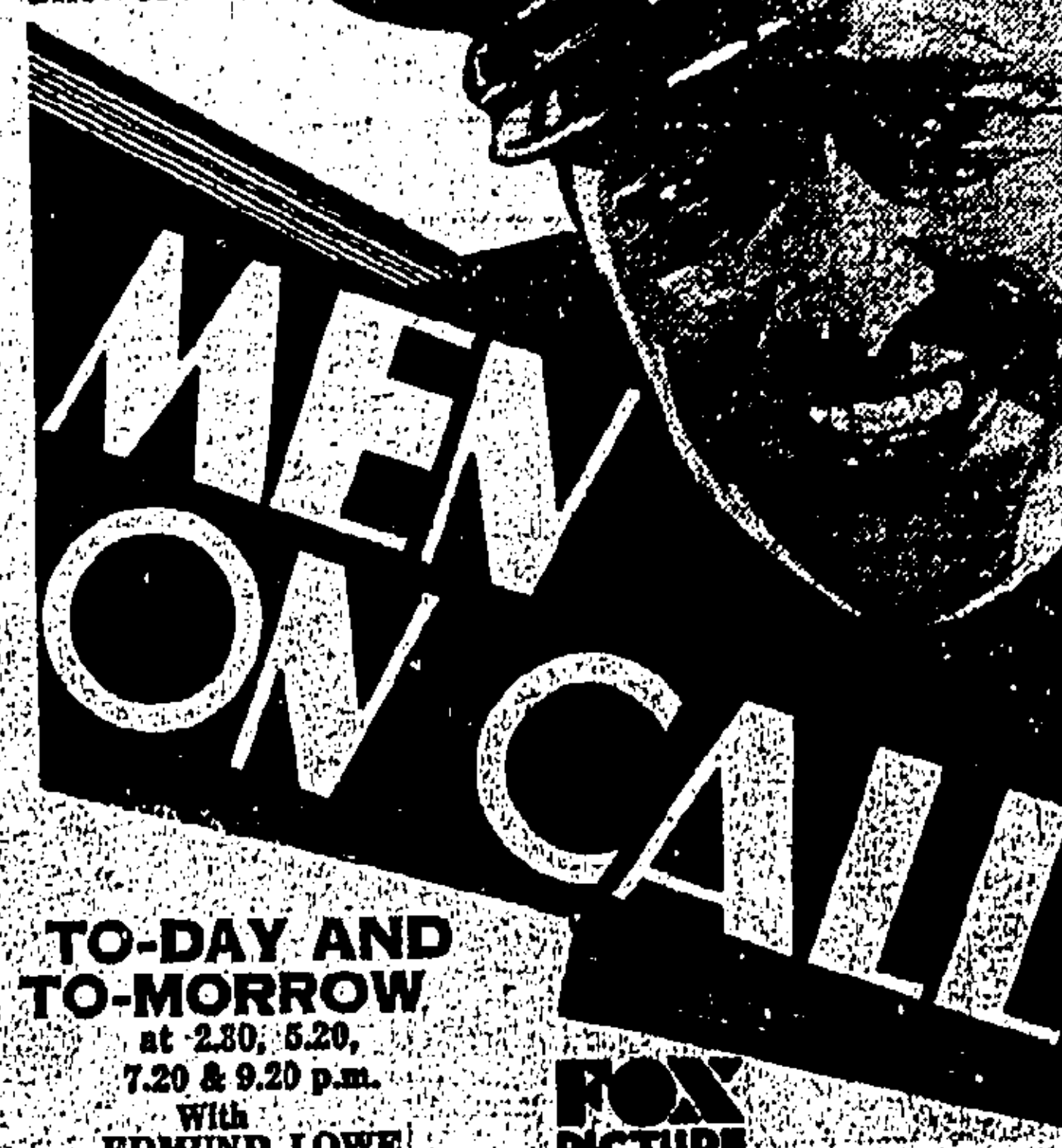
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SOME DAY CRICKET DID JARDINE MAKE BETTY NUTHALL ON THE WILL HAVE TO GO. A MISTAKE? THE STARS.

The Decline of 'England' in Big Encounters.

LACK OF ADAPTABILITY.

Nine Englishmen, an Indian, and a Scot (representing England, not the British Empire!) are now making an effort to comply more satisfactorily with a curious fabric of rules and ritual than are eleven New Zealanders.

England has failed ingloriously at cricket against the Australians and the South Africans. Since then the West Indians—the West Indians, mark you—have beaten Australia.

Defeat by New Zealand—whose total population is about equal to that of Glasgow—will be the crowning degradation.

What is this cricket? It is a curious thing; very clear to the heart of a certain type of obsolescent Englishman; an illogical fabric of arbitrary and insane rules, prejudices, and conventions, born of Sentiment by Snobbery.

It is hard to see cricket in its true light to-day, so great has been the growth of misleading tradition, literature, make-believe, and blarney, declares Glyn Roberts in the Daily Express.

Only The British Empire. We glory in cricket as our national "game." It is played nowhere but in the British Empire. Wherever the lean, bronzed, British public schoolboy wends his way, he carries his long leather bag, and he will set up his stumps in the Sunderlands or on the Himalayan glacier.

Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, and the West Indies send their best interpreters of the cult to compete with ours.

In Australia cricket is the principal religion and its prophet is Bradman.

We have been given to understand that we are a sport-loving nation, and when, year after year, Americans win our golf championships and Frenchmen our tennis titles, we smirk paternally and say, "Ah well, we showed 'em how" and so, I suppose, we did.

But do you play 'cricket in France? "Non, monsieur." In the U.S.? "No, sir." In Germany? "Nein."

Nor, it seems, do they play this game in Italy, Russia, Scandinavia, Spain, and South America.

Disipation of Energy. Watch a game of cricket. How much actual disipation of energy is there? Just a very little by the alleged fast bowler.

How much talk, fooling, procrastination, palaver, strolling about, searching the skyline for the promise of a cloud, donning of pads, doffing of blazers, appeals against light, and intervals for tea?

How the participants love to see a left-handed batsman come in! Change the field. Is it the end of the over? Change the field again.

This is how our young men spend their precious Saturday afternoons. Few of them can do competently the little that is required of them. No stumper seems to stop more than half of the balls that come to him; the long-stop is invariably a total loss. Nearly every catch is dropped; and they throw like women.

"But," say the cricket lovers, "you cannot have seen cricket on the village green—the butcher bowling, the curate batting, the major keeping wicket—the green sward, the elms round the pavilion, the church-top peeping over, the gay blazers and the women—that, surely, is a part of England—the real England—that is passing away too quickly."

Lack of Adaptability. Not quickly enough—despite all that Messrs. R. C. Sheriff, E. V. Lucas, Neville Cardus, H. A. Vachell, and all their forces, have to say.

England's lunatic lack of adaptability is landing her in the mud as it is, and when she wakes up this thing called cricket must be one of the first things to go.

Our logical continental neighbours have looked at it, thought, and rejected it. Is it because they are temperamentally unsuited to cricket? Not at all.

If France took up cricket systematically in five years she would send a Test team over here that would defeat our "best selected" by an innings.

I wish she would do it. Cochet would probably be a better man

England's Chance in the First Test.

CAUTION PERSONIFIED.

London, July 1. What a fine chance of a glorious cricket adventure was missed at Lord's yesterday, says a Daily Express cricket correspondent.

New Zealand declared at 469 for nine wickets in their second innings, leaving England 240 runs to get to win two hours twenty-five minutes. England secured 146 for five wickets, and the match was drawn.

Far better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all. It was a tame draw, too, with all the honours going to T. C. Lewry and his men from New Zealand.

When Lewry made his creditable and sporting declaration, after his side had batted so well, everybody round the ground was saying, "Will England go for the runs?" and "Who will Jardine send in first?"

These runs could have been gathered with the proper will and spirit. After all, 100 runs an hour is not an impossible pace. If only Jardine had been inspired for a moment.

He might have sent in Hammond and Woolley as his opening pair, with Dulcepsinhji first wicket down, with instructions to knock the cover off the ball and the white paint from the pavilion rails.

"Get runs or get out," should have been the order.

Instead, Jardine stuck to his first-innings opening pair—Arnold of Hampshire and Bakewell of Northants. Perhaps it was the caution of Jardine's legal training.

FIRST-CLASS CRICKET AVERAGES

Sutcliffe and Larwood on Top.

TATE WELL UP.

The following are the leading averages in first class cricket in England:—

Batting.	Runs.	Av.
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire)	2089	94.95
Nawab of Pataudi (Oxford)	1828	89.00
D. R. Jardine (Surrey)	873	67.15
K. S. Dulcepsinhji (Sussex)	2174	58.75
Hendren (Middlesex)	1799	58.03
Rev. J. H. Parsons (Warwick)	984	57.88
Bowling.	Wkts.	Av.
Larwood (Notts)	102	11.26
Verity (Yorkshire)	130	12.46
Tate (Sussex)	118	14.02
Parker (Gloucester)	167	14.41
Root (Worcester)	113	14.69
Freeman (Kent)	202	14.97

than Hammond, and Lacoste than Sutcliffe.

We are all familiar with, and I think a little tired of the contemporary hair-splitting which goes on. "The ball should be smaller," "the wicket should be bigger," "there should be an eight-ball over," "the governing body should be scrapped."

M. D. Lyon's Views. Mr. M. D. Lyon has his views; Lord Doings wants something else. Mr. Hugh de Selincourt tells the world that all is well with cricket—just leave it alone.

So the dismal make-believe is dragged along. But they know the truth all the time in spite of their transparent piling.

They know they are wasting their time, for you cannot cure a dead man. And cricket is dead. Only the crafty co-operation of the worst products of our public schools, misogynists, writers on cricket, idle members of the aristocracy, and manufacturers of cricket paraphernalia has kept it alive so long.

Never again shall we swallow hungrily the "lunch" scores and "close of play" scores. The dreary joys of anticipating, congratulating, and criticising the Test eleven have gone for ever.

Lawn tennis has come to stay. The whole world has realised the glories of this game. In half an hour of tennis you can expend more energy than in three days of cricket. It is colourful and varied. Cricket is dead; long live tennis!

Analyses Borotra's Strokes and Tilden's.

THE FINEST BACKHAND.

Tilden mentioned Jean Borotra's overhead play and his courage, for both of which I have the greatest admiration, but it is difficult to show where to stop when describing the good points of this "D'Artagnan of the Centre Court." We had a glorious example of his courage last Wimbledon when he met Tilden in the semi-final.

He was, for once in a way, the only representative of France left in the championship, and even his mercurial spirits were calmed a little with the sense of the responsibility he had to bear. He lost, but the battle will never be forgotten so long as Wimbledon is Wimbledon.

If anybody ever tells me they haven't time to play lawn tennis, I think of Borotra and smile. During the Wimbledon fortnight he was doing about a twelve-hour job of work a day, and a heavy job too, in addition to playing lawn tennis.

He had enormous business deals on, which could not be neglected, and Borotra never quits. I suppose he is one of the few young business men, and certainly the only tennis player, who is earning over £30,000 a year.

Quick Brain Needed. Overhead work, which finishes off a rally straight away, and volleying—such volleying as we have never seen before—come natural to him, because, whatever he is doing, he is always in a hurry. Even Tilden's slow slices, the most difficult shot in the world to speed up on, cannot slow his game down, his idea seeming to be that the sooner one gets the job in hand finished the better.

His physical activity is unbelievable, and it springs from a mentality which is just the same. Many people, judging by surface carelessness and dash, say that Borotra is the most unorthodox player in the world, but this is far from being the truth. He is a far better player to copy, in many respects, than Cochet, and, apart from his overhead play, which should be an inspiration to any beginner, his backhand is one of the finest in the world.

He is talking about retiring from lawn tennis, but I don't think this will happen for a while. He will not have time to tell them that he is retiring and will find himself booked for Davis Cup matches and championships until one morning waking to find he had made all the money in the world and there is nothing else to do, he gets time to write and tell the authorities concerned that he really has finished with the game.

Pros. Do Great Good. Three professionals are mentioned in Bill's list, himself, Vincent Richards, the player who used to come on to the centre court with a few score rackets, and Karel Koseluh, whom I regard in many respects as the finest all-round player in the world. Although at the time I am writing arrangements have not been made which will enable us to see any big professional matches this year, I shall be surprised if England is left out, writes Betty Nuthall in a special article to the China Press.

While there has not been any "landslide" towards professionalism, as some people claim, there is a definite trend on the part of first-class amateurs towards the professional ranks. I am sure it can do nothing but good to the game eventually, for the present status of the lawn tennis professional is not very high. But that is a matter which is outside these articles.

Tilden's Chop. The chop stroke which Tilden mentions is something far more than a mere chop. It is a shot which is played from a dropping call, but he does not come down directly behind it, but rather down and across, with the result that one can never be quite sure what the ball is going to do. I have seen it swerve one way and break back against the swerve, swerve and shoot, swerve and stand up and look at you, and swerve, and then go on swerving in the same direction after it has hit the ground. What can you do with a shot like that?

While I do not go back on what I said about a good player being

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To Play Against An England XI.

RETURN MATCH.

A Spanish football team is to meet an English team in England during next season.

"This match," said Sir Frederick Wall, Secretary of the F.A., "will be a return to the game in Madrid in 1929. The Spaniards won that match by four goals to three after a most sporting contest."

"They asked us then for a return, to be played in England in April or May this year, but we were unable to do this and have written to the Spanish F.A., suggesting that a match be played on December 9 on the Arsenal ground."

TENNIS "CARNERAS" IN ACTION.

Lyttleton Rogers Beats Argentine Star.

THIRTY-SIX GAMES.

Two lawn tennis "Carneras," G. L. Lyttleton Rogers (Ireland), who stands 6ft. 8in., and R. Boyd (Argentine), bulkier and only an inch or so shorter, fought at Queen's Club recently for a place in the London championship semi-finals. Rogers won by 12—10, 8—6.

With a fury entrancing to watch these two giants served, drove, and volleyed each other, and there came no break in the service for 20 games. The memory of the wild shot which lost Boyd his service in the twenty-first game seemed to stay with him, and for a few games he went to pieces.

Rogers during this time established a 4—1 lead in the second set. Boyd made a magnificent recovery, drew level at 4—all, and staved off defeat from six match-points before succumbing.

IRELAND & SCOTLAND AT CRICKET.

Thistle Defeated by 72 Runs.

BOUCHER'S FINE BOWLING.

Scotland required 107 to win on the last day of their annual match with two wickets in hand. Runs came slowly, and in spite of a good innings by J. F. Jones with Ireland 61 not out Scotland were still 72 runs in arrears when Baster was run out when attempting a short run. Ireland thus gained their first victory over Scotland since 1927. There were no outstanding scores, Jones 51 being the highest score in the match. The bowlers were on top throughout the match. In Ireland's first innings D. S. Huddleston took 6 wickets for 49 runs while in Scotland's first innings J. C. Boucher took 6 for 29 and followed this up by taking 5 for 36 in the second innings.

D. R. Jardine is without doubt the soundest bat playing first-class cricket in Britain, to-day, and as such would be an even bigger asset to the next side to go down under than he was last time, and that is saying something. It must not be forgotten that, apart from his solidity, Jardine has also proved that he can be a very great scoring factor in Australia—P. G. H. Fender.

able to tell which way a ball is going to swerve, and break, if he watches his opponent's racket. Bill's takes a great deal of watching.

But he is too clever a player and tactician to expect that these shots will win him acres outright. They are mixed with straight drives and other kinds of shots in order to get his opponent thinking, and in any case they have to be dealt with very carefully, if they are going to be put back into court.

Honouring Balloonist and His Companions.

FIVE BRAVE MEN.

Five brave men left Stockholm on June 14 for the Polar wastes, taking with them a simple cross bearing three names.

Members of a new Scandinavian Polar Expedition, they are travelling north for more than 2,000 miles to erect their cross on the camp site where Andree and his two companions faced and met death, nearly 35 years ago.

It was only in August of last year that a Norwegian scientific expedition discovered the bodies of the Swedish explorer, Auguste Andree, and his two companions, Frankel and Strinberg, on White Island, which is the final goal of the new expedition.

In a balloon, the Eagle, Andree left Dances Island, Spitzbergen, in July 1, 1897, in an attempt to drift over the North Pole.

Only a Stake. At present there is only a stake precariously fixed in a cairn of stones to mark the place on White Island where one of the strangest and most gallant stories in the history of Polar exploration came to its close.

The snows and the blizzard, and the slowly-moving ice may sweep away so humble a memorial to three gallant men.

And Professor Ahlmann, who is leading the expedition, believes that it is "of great moment" that the remembrance of Andree's courage should stand as an eternal sign defying the elements, which overcame the balloon and its voyagers.

Professor Ahlmann's expedition, will have other duties than those of erecting the cross and surveying the whole site of Andree's camp.

Officially known as the Swedish Norwegian Spitzbergen Expedition, Summer of 1931, it will have as its chief scientific duties the survey of Northeastland and White Island.

Here, Professor Ahlmann says, they will concentrate on the newly discovered and highly-important current which floated both Andree and the Italian survivors out of the North, and on to the vast cupola of ice eternally clamped down over the whole of White Island.

The expedition is expected to bring home results of first-class importance to the Norwegian and Swedish Governments, who have opened a new chapter in the history of their Polar co-operation by organising the expedition together.

There left with Professor Ahlmann, Doctors Kulling and Rosenbaum, engineer Olav Staxrud, and Malmberg, a well-known editor.

They have been preceded by Erik Eriksson and Lieutenant Christell to Narvik, where the Quest awaits them.

Study of Glaciers. The expedition passes beyond Spitzbergen to Northeastland, part of which is still unexplored. Nothing more is known of its interior than that it is eternally covered with a shield of ice whose depth has never been tested.

Nothing is recorded of White Island but for the important but slight records left by Andree. Here it is that the study of the glaciers is expected to reveal many secrets of nature in this part of the Polar regions.

LAW OF THE WILD.

Stork Army's Revenge for Murder by Swan.

Berlin, July 16.

When a young stork went too near to a swan's nest on a large lake near Gross-Westerwitz the watching husband smote the intruder with his wing and sent it head first into the water. Then the swan held the stork under water until it was drowned.

The "murder" had been witnessed by several other storks, which called the whole stork population together. Ten of the largest birds flew low over the swan's nest, pecking viciously at the inmates.

The rest of the stork army formed a circle from which the swan found no escape, and it was not long before the entire family were pecked to death. Then the storks destroyed the nest.

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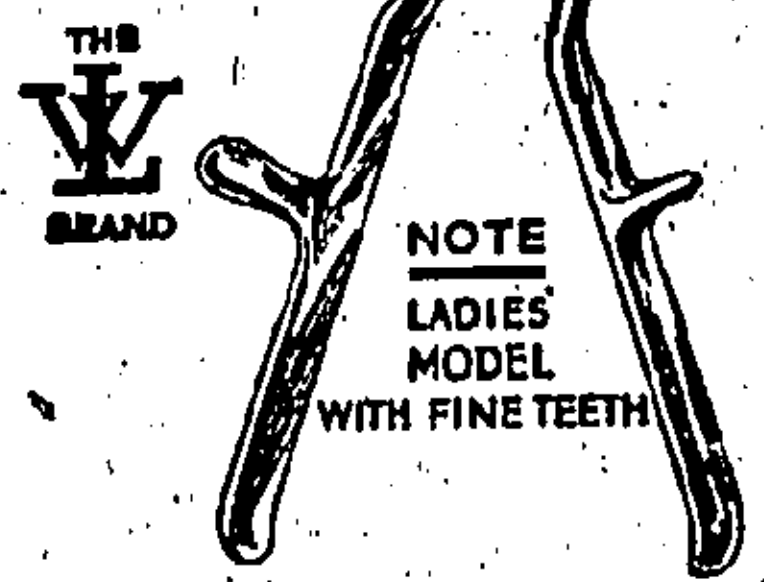
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WHITEAWAYS.

The
China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 1931.

Night Noises.

Why are building contractors permitted so much licence in the matter of working right through-out the night on a house in course of construction? Within recent years there have been several cases of summonses taken out against contractors by distracted neighbours who have had some satisfaction in the order of the Magistrate that work must cease by 9 p.m. But why should it be necessary for those so annoyed by night workers to have recourse to the Magistracy and waste much valuable time away from their own duties? Has the Building Authority no powers whatever on which it can act not only to abate a nuisance of this kind but to avert it altogether? In contracts for Government work it is stipulated that no work shall be done on Sundays. Before plans are finally passed for private buildings cannot it be stipulated that no work must be carried out after 6 or even 9 p.m.? Why should contractors be a law unto themselves? Even in the conditions of an auction of Crown land it could be provided that building operations must be commenced within a certain period but restricted to between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.

This is not a matter affecting only non-Chinese. In the Shamshuipo district at present hundreds of Chinese must be spending sleepless nights on account of building operations, particularly carpentry, proceeding right through the night on some new houses in course of construction just off Tai-po Road (or Nathan Road extension as it is technically called by the P.W.D.). About a month ago similar nocturnal operations a few hundred yards further south disturbed the residents in the vicinity for one whole night only. Evidently some one of the victims had lodged a complaint or threatened action, for peace has since been restored. Now the nuisance has been revived to the north-west, nearer to Chinese tenements than formerly. It is evident that

the building regulations require tightening up and greater powers given to the Building Authority, if not to the Police as well, to take the initiative in the matter of all-night work of a noisy nature. Chinese have their day duties to discharge as well as other folk, and these cannot be carried out satisfactorily if they have spent a sleepless night owing to the noise of building operations from dusk to dawn. Again, it must be surmised that many Chinese residents in the vicinity are sick and that many have young children to whom sleep is impossible during the natural sleeping hours. Why cannot building contractors be compelled to have consideration for such as these? We do urge the authorities to act at once in seeking a solution to this problem—a simple solution which it should not be very difficult to find.

German Constitution.

With the cable news flooded with Germany's affairs — financial, economic, and political — more than usual interest centres around the celebration to-day of German Constitution Day.

The Constitution of the German Republic was adopted on July 31, 1919, by the National Assembly at Weimer, and promulgated on August 11, 1919. It declares that the new Commonwealth is a Republic and that the power of the State is derived from the people. The colours of the Republic are black, red and gold. The trade flag is black, white, and red with the colours of the Reich in the upper inside corner.

The Constitution provides for Central, and State Legislative organs; makes foreign relations, defence, Customs duties taxation and railway services matters for the central authority; lays it down that every component State in the Federation must have a Republican Constitution, with a universal, equal, direct, and secret franchise of male and female voters on the proportional system. A State Council (Reichsrat) is to be formed for the representation of the component States (Länder). All Bills (Gesetzesentwürfe) before they are introduced into the Reichstag require the assent of

the Reichsrat, but the Reichstag can pass a Bill into law with a two-thirds majority over the head of the Reichsrat. The principle of the Referendum is provided for in the Constitution.

The Constitution further declares all Germans equal before the law, and abolishes all privileges or disadvantages of birth, class, or creed. Freedom of speech and of the Press is guaranteed; so is the right of meeting.

Members of the Legislature of the Republic (Reichstag) are to be elected by universal, equal, direct and secret votes of male and female voters, on the proportional system. The Reichstag is to be elected for four years. The Cabinet appointed by the President must enjoy the confidence of the Reichstag. Declarations of war and conclusions of peace are made by a law of the Republic.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 80 degrees. The humidity at 10 a.m. was 74 and at 4 p.m. 73.

Apparently tired of living, Cheung Yik (23), a married woman, hung herself at 214 Reclamation Street at 9.50 o'clock last night.

In an alleged attempt to commit suicide, Ng Kuen-cheung (29), a house boy, of 41, Conduit Road, took hold of a chopper and knocked his head with it. He is now in the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition.

At the P.W.D. land sale yesterday afternoon Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2561 in Yim Po Fong Street, consisting of about 7,800 square feet, with an upset price of \$19,665, was knocked down to Mr. Chow Chung-ting for \$23,100.

Wong Kan, the coxswain of the motor boat Cheong Fat, was this morning fined \$10 or a week's imprisonment by the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired) for making the boat fast to the s.s. Tanada whilst the ship was under way in the harbour at 5.50 a.m., on August 6.

A Chinese, aged about 26 years, is "wanted" by the Police for the alleged theft of two oscillating electric fans, valued at \$126, the property of the C.S. Shun Long hardware shop, 168, Queen's Road Central. It is alleged that the fans were obtained by means of a worthless cheque.

It is notified at the Harbour Office that the Inspecting Ordnance Officer, Hong Kong Area, will fire protechnic stores to-morrow morning at Stonecutters' Island, seawards from a position according to the wind. The stores consist of rockets and signal grenades, both giving variously coloured lights in the air, with no sound effects.

An imaginary forecast for August 11, 1940, published in the China Mail a year ago to-day was worded as follows: "German Constitution Day was observed in the opening of a new and palatial German Club on a site adjoining Stubbs Road." For the first time German Constitution Day was observed in the German Club, Connaught Road, to-day!

Whilst at work on scaffolding in the Royal Naval Dockyard, Wong Hut (30), a painter, and Cheung Hon (30), an employee of the Hop Cheung contractors, accidentally fell to the ground. Wong received injuries to his head and a fractured leg, whilst Cheung received internal injuries. Both were removed to the Government Civil Hospital by the Naval authorities.

Sergeant Jessop, of the Water Police, to-day charged a Chinese, named Wong Shing, before the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired) for boarding the s.s. Antung without permission. The Sergeant alleged that the accused stole a jacket from a Chinese stevedore passenger but could not be charged with the larceny because the passenger had sailed away in the ship. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50 or six weeks' hard labour, in default.

NEWS IN ADVIS.

The President Madison leaves for Manila to-day at 6 p.m.

TABLOID FOOD OF FUTURE.**When People Are Fed by Chemists.****"STAGGERING" POSSIBILITIES**

Sir Harry McGowan, chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries and president of the Society of Chemical Industry, opened the Exhibition of British Chemical Plant held in mail week at Central Hall, Westminster.

In the last century, Sir Harry said, the great effort in chemical industry was towards the improvement of processes for the manufacture of products used in the making of necessities of human life. Since the war, however, it had been affected by the intensified demand for secondary needs and for luxuries.

The demand for artificial silk, the growth of the call for motor-cars, and the increasing development of air transport all brought a certain amount of grist to the chemical mill. The old days of stability of demand had gone.

"More money is being spent on what are becoming new needs, and demand is fickle and subject to fashion and caprice," Sir Harry said.

Fickle Fashion.

One result of the fickle character of present-day demands and the rapid advance in technique which accompanied it was that the effective life of plant was being drastically curtailed. It very often happened that the value of a plant had to be written off long before its physical life was exhausted.

Referring to the heavy burden of taxation on industry, which made the investor apprehensive of a suitable return on new investments, and inevitably affected development, Sir Harry observed "that there are economies, and great economies, that can be achieved in Government expenditure is obvious to any impartially-minded individual."

"The country must face the fact that taxation on the present high level will dry up the sources of capital available for the development of industry. Without development and growth there must be lethargy and inertia."

Manufacturers were rather apt to overstress the importance of solidity in their works construction. They had to take a lesson from the United States, and be prepared for what, to their predecessors, would have appeared ruthless and extravagant scrapping.

If by means of cheaper plant the various industries could be induced to keep themselves completely abreast of the latest developments, there would inevitably be increased turnover for the plant manufacturer.

Speaking of the rapid developments in their industry to be expected in the future, Sir Harry said chemical processes were being worked out which would, in some cases, replace staple natural products.

"There may be some which will conceivably change the nature of the clothing of the civilised human being, and it is possible that the present normal food of humanity may be replaced by some synthetic chemical product."

Not Down and Out.

The possibilities of the future are staggering to contemplate, and it is only by the still closer welding of the sciences of chemistry and engineering that these possibilities can be brought to a profitable outcome.

Sir Harry did not share the gloomy view that the country was "down and out." He believed the turn of the tide would come, and by efficiency and research they must prepare themselves to be ready to take advantage of it.

Dr. H. J. Bush, chairman of the British Chemical Plant Manufacturers' Association, organisers of the exhibition, presided.

Sir Harry McGowan also spoke at a luncheon held at the Hotel Victoria in connection with the inauguration of the exhibition.

Beyond Grandparents' Dreams.

The opening meeting of the jubilee celebrations of the Society of Chemical Industry took place at the City of London Guildhall. The Lord Mayor (Sir Phene Neill) welcomed Sir Harry McGowan, president of the society, and the delegates, who come from various parts of the Empire. Several foreign countries, including Germany, were represented.

Dr. Scott Lidgett, Vice-Chancellor of London University, welcomed the delegates on behalf of that institution.

Sir Harry McGowan, replying, spoke of the developments in the chemical industry that had taken place in the past half-century. Fifty years ago, he remarked, this country had practically no dyestuffs industry, no synthetic drugs, and none of the thousand and one products which the genius of the synthetic chemist now placed at their disposal.

Then, many manufacturers rather prosecuted research nor maintained research departments. Synthetic fertilisers were unknown, the explosive industry was in its infancy.

"To-day," added Sir Harry, "our industry is strong, equipped with intellectual and financial resources beyond the wildest dreams of our grandparents. The British chemical industry is now capable, within reason, of supplying every requirement of civilised mankind."

Plaques for Companies. On behalf of the society, the Lord Mayor presented plaques and addresses to some of the Companies which have been most notable in their support of technical and scientific education.

Plaques were also presented to a number of original members of the society, who included Sir Harold Boulton, Prof. P. P. Bedson, Dr. Bernard Dyer, Sir Richard Garton, Dr. W. R. Hodgkinson, Prof. J. H. Huxley, Sir John Jarman, Sir Frederick Norman, Prof. Arthur Smithells, and Dr. Leonard T. Thorne.

BEFORE IT STOPPED!**Fatal Fall from Moving Motor-Bus.**

A verdict of "Accidental Death" was returned at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday, when an inquiry was held into the death of Lai Wai-ching, a woman who was fatally injured when attempting to alight from a moving motor bus on July 27.

Evidence was given that the woman was warned to wait until the bus stopped, but attempted to get off whilst it was still running.

The Coroner found that there was no negligence on the part of the driver or bus conductor. The verdict was returned as stated.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of August 11, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8 3/8.

The following letter, which speaks for itself, has been received from the Secretary of the Shanghai Amateur Swimming Club:—

"My committee is agreeable to the events you mention and the places they will be swum off. It is their desire however, that the high dive be reduced to 12 feet from the diving base to the water as there is no place in any of the local baths where there is more than ten feet from diving base to water, and this would consequently set the local divers at a considerable disadvantage. They take it that the harbour race you mention is not an interport contest.

"The points for the team race and water polo to be, as you suggested, one point per man.

"I am now writing to the Clubs here, to see if we can get sufficient numbers of swimmers, who, if chosen, will be able to make the trip. We did not do that last year and found out at the last moment, after having accepted Kobe's invitation, we could only send a very scratch team.

"I have no doubt that my Committee will accept your kind invitation."

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CHEFOO NOTES.

China Inland Mission Schools.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Chefoo, July 30.
On Monday afternoon a crowded hall welcomed the children of the C.I.M. Preparatory School as they mounted the platform to carry out the excellent programme which had been prepared for their Closing Exercises.

Mr. Arthur Rouse took his place as Chairman at 4.30 o'clock when the children quietly and reverently sang their Opening Hymn, after which the Chairman led the assembly in prayer thanking God for His abundant goodness during the past year.

The various items of the Programme were carried out so naturally and earnestly by the little ones that the whole programme was exceedingly attractive and thoroughly enjoyed.

Katherine Dickson and Jack Slichter played their piano pieces with character that augurs well for the future, and it will be interesting to watch them as they pass through the schools. Elspeth Walker, Janet MacPherson, Eric Thompson, and the clever reciter, John Harris, fairly brought down the house with their clear and forceful enunciation; while the last recitation "For Valour" rendered by the children of Form Upper I was given in such a spirited, yet careful, manner that it fully merited the hearty applause it got.

The Chairman in his address made many witty and striking remarks as he exhorted the children to go forward into another New Year with the Lord Jesus Christ as their Leader.

The Prizes were graciously handed to the children by Mrs. Rouse as follows:

Form Prizes.

Upper 1:—David Kidder, Jack Slichter, Donald Nicholls, Kenneth Funnell, and Michael Yantzen.
Lower 1:—Janet McPherson, Teddy Kidder, Elspeth Walker, Esther Flagg, and Margaret Spence.

Transition:—Marion Harris, David Kirk, S. Paradisais, Joan Croft, and Ruth Jacobsen.

Primary:—Bobby McMullan, Charles Irwin, Margaret Seaman, and Doris Seaman.
Scripture:—David Kidder, Janet MacPherson, Miriam Moore, and Bobby McMullan.

Hand Work:—Jack Slichter, Teddy Kidder, David Kirk, and Harry Brown.

Sewing & Knitting:—Ruth Flagg, Kathleen Rouse, Margaret Trickey, Ann Bryan, and Heather Chalmers.

Muster:—Katherine Dickson.
A Special Prize was awarded to David Kidder for 4 years of helpful influence exerted in the school.

Programme.

Opening Hymn—The School.
Prayer.

Piano Solo—K. Dickson and J. Slichter.

Song: Three Children Sliding—Upper School.

Recitation: The Magpie—Elspeth Walker.

Songs: The Song of the Fairy & Bubbles—Lower School.

Recitations: Zoo Rhymes—Primary Class.

Song: The Christening—Upper School.

Recitation: Trotty Wagtail—Transition.

Piano Solo—Katherine Dickson.

2 Recitations—Primary Class.

3 Songs—Lower School.

Recitation: Member?—Janet McPherson & Eric Thompson.

Song: Will You Walk a Little Faster—Upper School.

Recitation: Johnny Head-in-Air—Transition.

2 Flower Songs—Upper School.

Recitation: After the Fight—John Harris.

Song: Violets—Upper School.

Recitation: For Valour—Upper I.

School Song: Remember Jesus Christ—The School.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The Rev. W. H. Warren, Assistant Director in China of the China Inland Mission, was the well-chosen Chairman on Tuesday afternoon when the members of the Girls' School gave their Closing Exercises.

Mr. Warren opened with a few verses from Psalm 115 and Prayer. The Programme, which is always a choice, was exceptionally good this year and the girls, whether in song, recitation, or at the piano, were fully up to the high standard of former years. Mary

Weller's rendering of "Sherwood" was excellent in both gesture and enunciation; while Jean Orr as a pianist showed clever execution and distinct ability.

The main piece of the afternoon was a Cantata by A. A. Proctor, "The Legend of Bregenz" set to Music by W. Bendall, which was carefully rendered with distinct feeling, the various parts sung as solos, duets, and quartettes by some of the senior girls were exceptionally fine and did great credit to the Teachers; the girls singing with careful expression and clear enunciation.

At the close of this part of the Programme, the Chairman gave a short telling address as he recommended his "Best Friend" to them one and all, as the "Friend of Friends," and admonished them especially the "leaving girls," to take Him with them as their "Altogether lovely One" who would never fail them, and be ever ready to give them the help they would most surely need as they faced the subtle temptations of life.

The Distribution of the Prizes followed when Gladys Warren the Chairman's only daughter, was presented with the Blue Ribbon of the School, the Conduct Watch which is presented yearly by former pupils of the School.

The graceful Drill on the Tennis Court is always a great feature of this day, but if anything it surpassed the drills put up in past years, and was greatly enjoyed by the large concourse of both Chinese and foreigners present; the final Marching being exceptionally good.

Prize List.

Form Prizes:—
2A.—Edna Clarke, and Dawn King.

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3.—Martha Moore.

4.—Heather Hance, and Ethel Dickson.

5B.—Margaret Olesen, G. Sinton, and H. Briscoe.

5A.—Fern King, P. Harding, M. MacPherson, and E. Ford.

Special Prizes were awarded to two girls who while reaching their percentage of 75 per cent. in the two examinations taken were, through sickness, prevented from taking the third examination:—D. MacCammon, and J. Broomhall.

For General Good Work Prizes were awarded to Isabel Sinton, and M. Rouse.

A Special Scripture Prize was awarded to Hope Wilson for marked progress.

Scripture Prizes:—Fern King, Julia Stryk, Florence Alderson, Martha Moore, Mary Weller, Vaughn Dickson, Elva Cooke, and Dawn King.

Drawing Prizes:—E. Clarke, M. Porter, and E. Ford.

At this year's Annual Exhibition of the Royal Drawing Society, London, England for work sent in by British Grammar and Public Schools the following awards were given to the C.I.M. Girls' School, Chefoo, N. China:—

4 Sheets of Drawings: 2nd Class: Commended.

9 Sheets of Drawings: 1st Class: Commended.

A Bronze Star for 1 Sheet sent in by the 4th Form.

A Bronze Star for 1 Sheet sent in by Mary Abbott.

Sewing Prizes:—Vera Draffin, Jean Macrea, K. Costerus, M. Rouse, and Marjorie Smith.

Music:—Vaughn Dickson, Florence Alderson, Bertha Bird, Jessica Broomhall, Ethel Dickson, Gladys Warren, and Jean Orr.

A Special Prize awarded by Mrs. H. Strauss for the best work in Music during the year was won by Jean Orr.

Essay:—H.M.B. Consul offered a Special Prize for the best essay on "Patriotism" which was won by Fern King.

A Friend of the School gave a second prize for the next best and this went to Julia Stryk.

All Round Prize:—This Prize presented by Mrs. Pote-Hunt was won by Jessica Broomhall.

The Conduct Prize—the Blue Ribbon of the School—was won by G. Warren.

BOYS' SCHOOL.

On Wednesday afternoon the Memorial Hall was again packed to enjoy the Closing Exercises of the Boys' School, which, while showing talent not a whit behind either of the other schools, is marked by a diversity which not only attracts a large number of friends but which is looked forward to year by year with a great amount of excitement. One never tires of watching the manly and fervent exercises of the boys. This year's Programme was excellent right through, and as each item was given the hearty applause

showed how keenly the piece had been followed and enjoyed. The Funeral Orations from Julius Caesar, when Weller and A. Dansey-Smith took the leading roles, was the piece of resistance of the afternoon, reflecting great credit on the painstaking care of their Tutor.

Dr. Landsborough, as Chairman, voiced the feelings of all present in a terse and affectionate speech thanking the Staff for the careful and excellent training given to the boys during the year. Then, turning to the boys on the platform, he impressed upon them their duty to themselves, the School, and to God by ever and always "Playing the whole Game" and thus manifesting in their daily lives the ideal for which these schools were founded.

The Drill which, perhaps, at the Boys' School is the great feature of the Programme, was carried out with its usual precision and vigour, the Swedish Drill item being greatly admired as the senior boys went through their Physical Jerks with a keenness and smartness which spoke volumes for the training they had been given.

The singing of the School Anthem by the whole School brought a very happy and interesting programme to a close.

The prize list:—
Form Prizes:—
2A.—F. Brown, and E. Bird.

3.—J. Whitelaw, and I. Yorkstone.

4.—J. Hirst, N. Macrae, and R. Sinton.

5B.—R. King, W. Fleischmann, and S. Weller.

5A.—D. Zentner.

5.—B. Walker, D. Landsborough, and W. Olesen.

Scripture and English.—W. Olesen.

Mathematics and Science.—D. Landsborough.

Latin and French.—B. Walker.

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Drawing.—S. Porteous, and W. Lapper.

Progress.—P. Davies.

Neatness (Senior)—A. Dansey-Smith.

Neatness (Junior)—B. Glass.

Music (Junior)—R. Weller.

A Special Prize awarded by Mrs. H. Strauss for general improvement during the year.—S. Weller.

The Jane Judd Prize awarded to the 4th Form and voted for by the boys.—R. Sinton.

Captain Pote-Hunt's Special Prize for the best all round boy.—(Senior) A. Moore, and (Junior) J. Whitelaw.

The Silver Shields were awarded for Football & Cricket to A. Moore, and for Rowing to D. Landsborough.

The House Shield this year was won by Carey House.

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Leaving Bibles were presented by the School to the 8 Senior Boys who are leaving this year.

Programme.

Song—"High on the giddy bending mast"—Lower School.

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Semaphore.—Alphabet. Vowels. We welcome all our Visitors.

Semaphore.—In Deo Fidamus.

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As soon as the League was formed, preparations were made for formulating the plan for disarmament, and those preparations lasted for some 10 years. The preparatory stages were now concluded. They had reached a stage at which it had been possible for the League of Nations to summon next February the greatest international conference that had ever come together, a conference of all the civilised nations of the world, whether they were members of the League or not, to consider the necessary plans for beginning the reduction and limitation of the armaments of the world by international agreement. There were circumstances in the world which made that decision, extremely timely. At this period of widespread distress it was, he believed, actually true that more money

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	Manila	Empress of Canada
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13.	Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, July 16 and Parcels, July 9)	Cathay
FRIDAY, AUGUST 14.	Japan & Shanghai	Rajputana
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15.	U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, July 23)	Chichibu Maru
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16.	Manila	Taiyo Maru
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19.	Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 1)	Empress of Russia

OUTWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11.	Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	4 p.m.
	Manila	President Madison	4.30 p.m.
	Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Isar	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12.	Fort Bayard	Tai Poo Sek	2.30 p.m.
	Amoy	Tai Yuan	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13.	Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Deli Maru	10.30 a.m.
	Straits	Van Heutsz	10.30 a.m.
	Haiphong	Canton	2.30 p.m.
	Swatow	Hydrangea	3 p.m.
	Saigon	Shun Chih	4.30 p.m.
	Amoy	Talma	5 p.m.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 14.	Shanghai, *Japan & *Europe via Siberia	Cathay	8.30 a.m.
	Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow	10.30 a.m.
	Sandakan	Mau Sang	10.30 a.m.
	Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	2 p.m.
	Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	Empress of Canada (Due Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 30 and *Europe via Siberia.)	Parcels Aug. 14, 5 p.m. Registration Aug. 15, 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
	Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Rajputana (Due Marseilles September 11.)	Parcels Aug. 14, 5 p.m. Registration Aug. 15, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
		G.P.O.	
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15.	Rabaul	Bremerhaven	5 p.m.
	Amoy	Anshun	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16.	Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	9 a.m.
	Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY, AUGUST 17.	Straits and Calcutta	Ho Sang	Parcels Aug. 17, Noon Letters 1 p.m.
	Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Changte (Due Thursday Island, Aug. 29.)	Parcels Aug. 17, 5 p.m. Registration Aug. 18, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
	*Shanghai, *Japan, *Honolulu and *San Francisco	Taiyo Maru (Due San Francisco, Sept. 11.)	Parcels Aug. 18, 10 a.m. Registration Aug. 18, 12.45 p.m. Letters 1 p.m.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18.	Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	President Lincoln (Due San Francisco, Sept. 8.)	Parcels Aug. 18, 10 a.m. Registration Aug. 18, 12.45 p.m. Letters 1 p.m.
	Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, *Egypt & *Europe via Marseilles	Angers (Due Marseilles, Sept. 19.)	Parcels Aug. 18, 11.45 a.m. Letters Noon
		G.P.O.	
		K.P.O.	
		Registration Aug. 18, 10 a.m.	Registration Aug. 18, 11.45 a.m.
		Letters 10 a.m.	Letters Noon

*Superadded correspondence only.

SPORTS NOTICES.

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE 17TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held in the Club House, on TUESDAY, August 11, 1931, at 6 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting to be read and confirmed.
Report and Accounts for 1930-31.
To adopt proposed revision of rules.
Election of Officers for 1931-32.
General.
Election of Auditors.
By Order of the Committee.
F. C. CLEMO,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, August 6, 1931.

GENERAL NOTICES.

THE BRITISH LEGION.

HONG KONG & CHINA BRANCH.

THE 10TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at 5.15 p.m. on THURSDAY, 13th August, 1931, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Business:—
To Receive the Report and Accounts for the year 1930.
To elect officers.
P. M. ROSSER,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 10th August, 1931.

HONG KONG REALTY & TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 30 cents per Share has been declared payable on TUESDAY, 1st September next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company, 2nd Floor, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Central.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 27th August, to MONDAY, 31st August, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. F. V. RIBEIRO,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 5th August, 1931.

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EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—

Bank, wire 11 1/2
Bank, on demand 11 1/2
Bank, 4 months' sight 11 9/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/— 8/16

Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/— 5/16

On Paris—

On demand 592 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 632 1/2

On Berlin—

On demand Nom.
On New York—
On demand 23 1/4
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 1/4

On Bombay—

Wire 64 1/4
On demand 64 1/4
On Calcutta—
On demand 64 1/4

On Singapore—

On demand 41 1/2
On Manila—
On demand 46 1/4

On Shanghai—

On demand Tls. 79 1/4
Dollar 7 1/2 dis.

On Yokohama—

Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 1/—
Silver (per oz.) 12 9/16
Bar Silver in Hong

Kong—

Copper Cash 14 1/4 prem.
Copper Cents 3 1/4 prem.
Rate of Native Interest 3 1/4 p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 24 1/2 dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.

LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.
Paris 123.95
New York 1.85 1/2
Brussels 34.85
Geneva 24.9
Amsterdam 12.05
Milan 92.85

Berlin 20 1/2
Stockholm 18.15 1/2
Copenhagen 18.16 1/2
Oslo 18.16 1/2
Vienna 34.55
Prague 183.13/16
Helsingfors 192 1/4
Madrid 56.1
Lisbon 110 1/4
Athens 375
Bucharest 817
Rio 3 5/32
Buenos Aires 31 1/2
Montevideo 24 1/2

Bombay 1/5 3/4
Shanghai 1/2 3/4
Hong Kong 1 1/4
Yokohama 2/— 13/32
Silver Spot and Forward 12 9/16
—British Wireless Service.

CONTEMPT OF COURT BY TWO ROBINS.

Twitterings Force a Judge to Adjourn.

A man was on trial in a Berlin court. The lawyers were hard at work talking when suddenly there was a twittering noise.

The ushers were about to shout "Silence in court" when it was seen that the disturbers were two robin red-breasts.

They had flitted in through the open window and found the inside so pleasant that they refused to be driven out.

The judge finally suggested an adjournment to another court, and to this course all agreed.

The judge was even so kind as to have a tin of water and some corn placed in his room for the two robins who had thus interfered with the majesty of the law.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 11th August, 1931.

Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, 25th August.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Notes	Price	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	2035	x div.	...	...	Dec.	Interim 42 at 1/4—157.50
Chartered Bank	4	...	...	12 1/2	Dec.	(Fin. 77, bonus 92, subject to 1/4 tax making 5/25 for 1930)
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	2	...	...	10	Dec.	(Fin. 92 1/2, a/c 1030 less 1/4 tax, 1/4 pr. —, 31)
Bank of Asia	130	...	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1930
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	1	...	1550	...	Dec.	(Fin. 92 1/2, bonus 110 for 1929) — 80
Union Ins.	597 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 8 1/4 a/c 1930, (Fin. 24, for 1929) — 42
China Underwriters	1	...	3.10	...	Dec.	None
China Fire Ins.	1	...	...	400	Dec.	(Final 30 bonus 80, a/c 111 for 1929) — 42 1/2
H. K. Fire Ins.	1490	...	1460	(1.65)	Dec.	(Final 1/4, coupon No. 60, a/c 111 for 1929) — 42 1/2
Shipping.						
Douglases	39	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1930
H. K. Steamboats	38	...	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1929 Note for 1930, (1 1/2 ex. 2 1/2 on preferred) — 42
Indo-China (Pref.)	1	...	...	10	Dec.	Last dividend for 1930
(Def.)	1	...	...	30	Dec.	(Final 1/4, coupon No. 60, a/c 111 for 1929) — 42
Shells Bearer	1	...	...	14 1/4	Dec.	80 for 1929
Union Steamships	38	...	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1929
Mining.						
Benguet	101	...	...	...	Dec.	800, Int. 50 cents a/c 1931
Kailash Mining Ad. v.	1	...	...	196	June	(Fin. 92 1/2, bonus 110 for 1929) — 80
Langkat (Single) Tls.	1	...	...	2.95	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-30-29
S'hai Exploration Tls.	1.00	...	...	...	Dec.	None
Losses	1	...	...	1	Dec.	(Final 1/4, coupon No. 60, a/c 111 for 1929) — 42
Raubs	11	...	49 1/2	...	Mar.	(Final 1/4, coupon No. 60, a/c 111 for 1929) — 42
Venezuela Gold Fields	21	8	...	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves	162	...	...	...	Dec.	80 for 1930
H. K. & W. Docks	1	...	...	29	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
South Ch. Motors	1	...	...	10	Dec.	
China Providents (old)	1	...	6.90	...	Dec.	(10 cents on old) 101 cents on new for 1930
(new)	1	...	2.95	...	Dec.	Fin. T. 11 msk. T. 14 for 1910
Hongkong Tls.	1	...	270	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930
N. Engineering Tls.	1	...	91	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930
Shanghai Docks Tls.	1	...	106 1/2	...	Apr.	T. 0.25 for 1930-31
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hs. (old)	17	17.36	...	...	Dec.	80 cents for 1930
(new)	16 1/2	...	(16.80)	...	Dec.	Interim 42 a/c 1931
H. K. Lands	22	...	...	69.30	Dec.	Interim T. 0.50 a/c 1931
Shanghai Lands Tls.	1	...	...	92	Dec.	80 cents for 1930
Humphreys (old)	1	...	21 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 30 cents a/c 1931
(new)	1	...	...	...	Feb.	80 for year 28-31
H. K. Realities	16.35	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 30 cents a/c 1931
Chinese Estates	94	...	...	...	Dec.	80 for year 28-31
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cotton	14.40	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1930
Shanghai Cotton Tls.	1	...	...	96	Apr. and Oct.	T. 2-25 for half year 30-31-30
Zoong Sings Tls.	11	...	...	...	June	T. 0-30 for year 30-30-30
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	311	...	...	14	Dec.	Interim 40 cents a/c 1931
Peak Tram (old)	1	...	...	62	Apr.	(30 ex. on old) for year 30-31-30
(new)	1	...	...	28 1/2	Apr.	81 for 1930
Star Ferries	28	...	28 1/2	...	Dec.	81 for 1930
Yau-mat Ferries	25 1/2	...	26.10	...	Dec.	81 for 1930
China Light	26.10	...	26.15	...	Dec.	81 for 1930
H. K. Electric	81 1/2	...	...	93	Dec.	81 for 1930
Macao	1	...	...	...	Dec.	
Sandakan Lights	1	...	...	...	Dec.	
H. K. Tel. (old) part paid	34 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 45 a/c 1931
China Buses	1	...	17.90	...	Dec.	T. 0.30 for 1930
Spore Traction (Ord.) (Pref.)	1	...	3/9	...	Sept.	(11 1/2 on preference shares) Subject to income tax
Industrial.						
China Sugars	1	...	60cts.	...	...	In Liquidation.
Malacca Sugars	1	...	...	39	Dec.	Pr. 4.50 for 1930
Cald. & Macg. Ord. Tls.	1	...	...	14	Dec.	(T. 1, 1/2, 0.50) for 1930
Canton (Pref.) Tls.	1	...	...	10	Dec.	None
Cement (com.)	7.10	10.85	10 1/2	...	July	None
(old)	1	...	...	18 1/2	Dec.	(30 cents on old) 101 cents on new for 1930
(new)	1	...	...	0	Dec.	80 for 1930
H. K. Ropes	1	...	...	21.85	Dec.	75 cent for 1930
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms	32.60	...	...	...	Dec.	81.50 for 1930
Watsons	16 1/2	...	...	1	Oct.	75 cents for year 31-31-30
Der A Wings	1	...	...	...	...	
Lane Crawford (old)	1	...	9.10	...	Feb.	Last dividend for year 28-31
(new)	1	...	...	...	...	
Mackintosh	1	...	...	18	Feb.	81 for year 28-31
Sinocres	17	...	...	...	...	
Win. Powells	3 1/2	...	...	...	Feb.	50 cents for year 28-31
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement (old)	27	...	...	2	Mar.	82.50 for year 31-30-30
(new) ("B")	25.80	...	...	16 1/2	...	
C. Entertainment (old)	1	...	...	15	...	
(new)	1	...	...	18 1/2	...	
Sou. Ch. Enterprises	1	...	...	...	...	
H. K. Construction	13	13.80	...	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1930
B. Ind. C. Bonds	1	...	...	74 1/2	...	
H. K. Govt. Loans	1	...	...	3%	Prem.	Interest half yearly

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HIYE MARU	Tuesday	25th August
HEIAN MARU	Tuesday	8th September
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.		
FUSHIMI MARU	Saturday	22nd August
HAOKAZARI MARU	Saturday	5th September
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.		
KITANO MARU	Saturday	22nd August
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday	26th September
MANILA.		
CHICHIBU MARU	Friday	28th August
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.		
NAGATO MARU	Thursday	27th August
KAGA MARU	Friday	11th September
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.		
BOKUYO MARU	Saturday	12th September
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.		
KURAMA MARU	Friday	21st August
TAKEOTOYO MARU	Tuesday	1st September
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Constantinople, Genoa.		
DELGOA MARU	Thursday	13th August
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
RANGON MARU	Saturday	29th August
BENGAL MARU	Tuesday	18th September
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.		
HAKODATE MARU	Monday	17th August
ATSUTA MARU (Nagasaki direct)	Friday	21st August
HAKUSAN MARU	Friday	21st August

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MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore & Colombo.	Hawaii Maru	Mon.	31st Aug.
BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila.	Sydney Maru	Sat.	5th Sept.
JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Burma Maru	Fri.	21st Aug.
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Amazon Maru	Fri.	11th Sept.
	Alaska Maru	Sun.	11th Oct.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Kinai Maru	Tues.	15th Sept.
	Hokuroku Maru	Tues.	8th Oct.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan, Deli & Colombo.	Shunko Maru	Wed.	10th Aug.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Indus Maru	Tues.	18th Aug.
HAIPHONG via Hobei & Pakhol (Fortnightly).	Menado Maru	Thurs.	20th Aug.
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (8 p.m. every Sunday).	Canton Maru	Sun.	16th Oct.
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).	Deli Maru	Thurs.	13th Aug.

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EUROPA & BREMEN

Passengers Carried in First Year.

It will be remembered that the Norddeutscher Lloyd, in its annual report for 1930, expressed satisfaction at the results obtained by their new vessels, the Europa and the Bremen. Official figures have now been published which show that both these vessels met with great success. The Europa in its first year carried a total of 44,383 passengers of all classes, the average for each trip to Europe being 1,455 persons, and 1,478 on every trip to the United States. The New York office of the company states that these figures exceed by about 500 persons the average carried by any other vessel of the North Atlantic traffic. Of the numbers carried, 5,776 were first-class passengers from the United States to Europe, and 6,740 first-class passengers from Europe in a westward direction. Apart from the passenger traffic the Europa carried about 10,000 tons of goods at express rates and 94,000 bags of mails from the U.S.A., and 76,000 bags of mails from Europe. The Bremen during its first year in commission carried a total of 54,168 passengers. It made seventeen trips, compared with fifty of the Europa. The number of first class passengers carried amounted to 15,123.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Caradoc—In dock.
Cicala—South wall.
Odin—East wall.
Otus—East wall.
Seraph—North arm.
Scapula—North arm.
Stormcloud—North wall.
Tamar—Basin.
Foreign.
Helena—American gunboat.
Regulus—French sloop.

MORE DEPRESSION IN FREIGHT MARKETS.

Shipping is suffering from another decided slump in freight markets, and I am told that shipowners are having the greatest difficulty in finding any employment for their tonnage, says "City Man" in the Evening Standard.
The River Plate still continues to take tonnage fairly freely, but there has been a decided drop in freight values. With regard to Canadian shipments, there is practically nothing to report in full cargo business. The regular lines are getting a fair quota of wheat parcels at very cheap rates.
Shipowners' main trouble at the moment is the report of the partial failure of the Canadian crop, which will, of course, upset owners' calculations for homeward shipments in the Autumn.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, August 9.
Atlas Maru, Japanese str., 4,511 tons, Capt. K. Ishibashi, from Shanghai, buoy No. A8—O.S.K.

Panama Maru, Japanese str., 3,567 tons, Capt. K. Kurimura, from Tawao, buoy No. A2—O.S.K.

Suiyang, British str., 1,594 tons, Captain Byrne, from Canton, buoy No. B3—B. & S.

Tai Poo Sek, French str., 1,219 tons, Capt. M. Paul, from K. C. Wan, C.M.S.N. Wharf—Wo Hop & Co.

Taiyuan, British str., 2,120 tons, Captain R. Robertson, from Amoy, buoy No. B20—B. & S. Monday, August 10.

America Maru, Japanese str., 3,119 tons, Captain Rotaro Fukuchi, from Tokyo, Kobe, Moji and Keelung, Kowloon Wharf—O.S.K.

Antung, British str., 2,107 tons, Capt. D. Lupton, from Hoihow, buoy No. B14—B. & S.

Hirundo, Norwegian str., 1,125 tons, Capt. J. A. Pederson, from Swatow, buoy No. B3—Thoresen & Co.

Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. B. A. Marrable, from Canton, buoy No. B21—B. & S.

Kiangsu, British str., 1,555 tons, Capt. A. F. Summenfeld, from Swatow, buoy No. A10—B. & S.

Mausang, British str., 2,063 tons, Capt. G. F. Matthews, from Sandakan, buoy No. B22—J. M. & Co.

Ninghai, British str., 1,482 tons, Capt. W. J. King, from Canton, buoy No. B9—B. & S.

New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. D. Thomas, from Canton, buoy No. C2—Yik Tai S.S. Co.

President Lincoln, American str., 14,187 tons, Capt. John Griffith, from Seattle, Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.

Saale, German str., 4,435 tons, Capt. R. Daniel, from Singapore, buoy No. A16—Melchers & Co.

Shun Chih, Chinese str., 1,251 tons, Captain T. Thorbjornsen, from Saigon, buoy No. C6—Chang Tong Ha.

Yei Maru, Japanese str., 1,849 tons, Capt. K. Isumi, from Quang Yen, Kowloon Bay—Silva Netto & Co.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex S.S. Benvenue are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after August 12.

Consignees of cargo ex S.S. Oregon Star are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after August 16.

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Aug. 8	Aug. 9
West River at Shihung	24.5	21.2
North River at Samshui	7.0	6.9
North River at Taiyung	14.9	12.5
East River at Shihung	3.5	2.9

The highest levels recorded are:—Shihung, 41 feet; Tei-yung, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shihung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Shihung.

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. Changte from Australia via ports, August 10:—

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. J. Asche, son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Birlukoff, Mrs. A. F. Cockerton, Mrs. A. L. Haygood and son, Mrs. N. Heath and daughter, Mrs. E. M. Jones and daughter, J. D. Lynch, Miss P. Moore, Mrs. L. S. Phippard, L. S. Rowntree, J. J. Walsh.

The following passengers per s.s. President Madison arrived in Hong Kong yesterday:—

James T. Bailey, Harold A. R. Conant, Miss Lucille Halsey, Frederick W. Hinkle, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Holgate, Miss Beulah Leech, D. Macfie, George J. McCarthy, Prof. Karl Menger, Miss C. S. Pierce, Henry C. Rea, George B. Rea, F. E. Shaw.

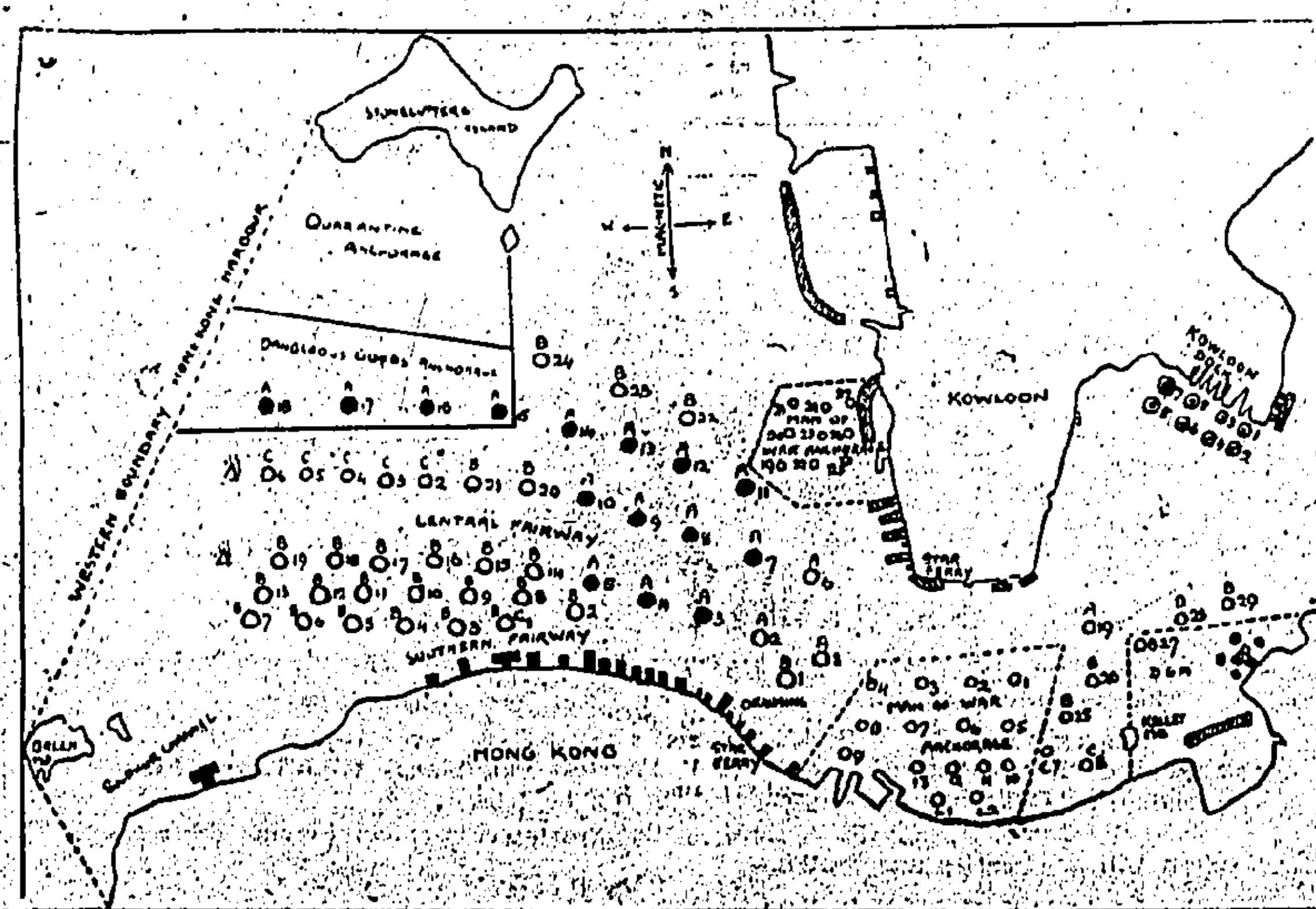
HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

August 11 to 17, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
	Standard Times	Standard Times
Aug. 11	2. 28 10. 26	8. 5 4. 18
Aug. 12	3. 1 10. 31	7. 3 4. 0
Aug. 13	3. 58 10. 38	6. 4 3. 3
Aug. 14	4. 5 10. 45	5. 3 2. 3
Aug. 15	5. 11 10. 51	4. 16 1. 15
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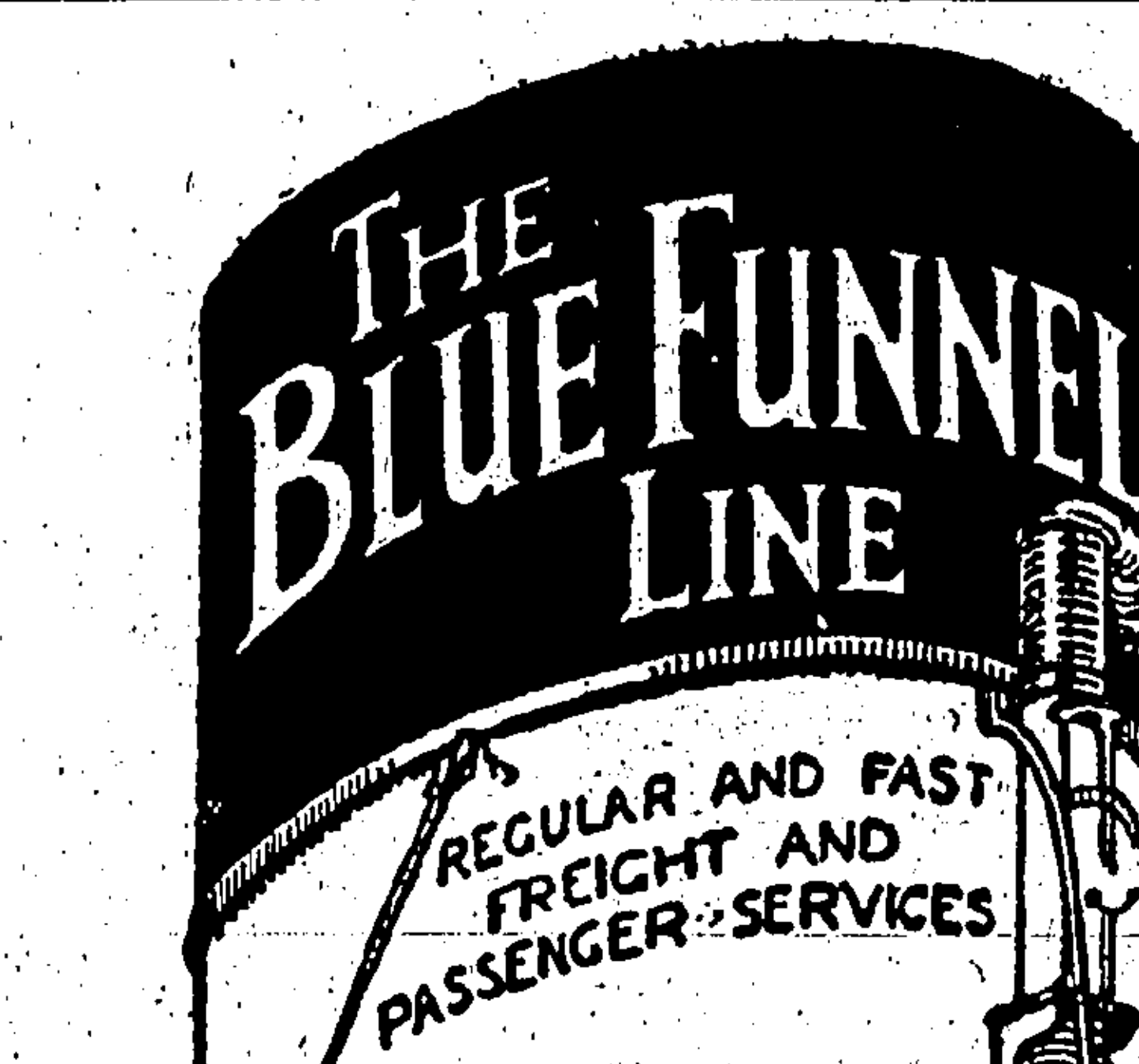
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*MANTUA	11,000	10th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
*KASHMIR	9,000	24th Oct.	Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
*BURDWAN	6,500	31st Oct.	Rotterdam & Antwerp.
NALDERA	16,000	7th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHGAR	9,000	21st Nov.	Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	15th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
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KALYAN	9,000	28th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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MANTUA	11,000	11th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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KASHMIR	9,000	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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NELLORE	7,000	5th Oct.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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FIGUREHEADS.

Man Who Still Chisels Them.

When the old Admiralty yacht Enchantress leaves the River Medina at Cowes, where she is now being refitted for her new owner, she will carry at her bows the figure of a woman, with flowing draperies and hands clasped across her breast—a silent reminder of the days when every vessel carried a figurehead surmounting the grace of her cut-water, writes J. G. in the Evening News.

The figurehead of the Enchantress is the work of a small, dark-eyed man, with a pointed Van Dyck beard, who, when he was working in the yard at Cowes, was known as the "Italian figurehead artist." When I traced him to his home in Southampton, however, I found that the islanders were wrong. "No, I am English, I'm glad to say," my grandfather was French, so that may account for the fact that I look a little foreign," said Mr. Henry Meadows.

He produced a handful of coloured chalks from his pocket. "This is my method," he said, and in a few minutes he had sketched the outline of a ship's stem on the lineum floor.

How He Works.

"When I have a head to model they fix me up a large block of wood under the bowsprit—so; then I go down to the ship and sketch out the head roughly on the block, like this—" and the blue crayon flashed quickly over the red lineum. "Next the block is taken down and brought to the workshop, where I finish the carving. When it is put back on the ship's stem I finish it off—so." And the sketch of the completed head was on the floor at our feet.

Mr. Meadows is one of the few figurehead artists at work to-day, and the greater part of his work is done for luxury yachts. Some of the yachts seen at Cowes in July carry examples of his work.

When an old yacht changes owners her new master sometimes does not care for her figurehead, and wishes to have it remodelled into one more in accordance with his taste. Then again Mr. Meadows is called in. By a few deft strokes of his chisel Indian chiefs become princesses, and "buoyant ladies" become the most demure Victorian misses that ever sailed the sea.

The Reason For The Beards.

The most interesting of all Mr. Meadows' stories is that of The Bead Necklace. A figurehead was carved for a ship, and when she was finished the owner declared himself delighted, and Mr. Meadows returned home well satisfied. A fortnight later he received an urgent call from the shipyard to discover on his arrival that the head on which he had spent so much time had begun to open down the nose and mouth.

The wind and sun had got at the wood, and the heart of the tree had worked up into the face.

The only thing to do was for the good lady to be beheaded, and this was done. A new block was fixed on the shoulders, and Mr. Meadows

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set to work on another head. When this was finished it was discovered that there was the join to be covered up. "So this is what I did," said Mr. Meadows with a twinkle.

"I made a row of big beads and fixed them round the lady's neck. The owner was pleased, because he had still more embellishment for his figurehead, and to-day, if you saw that ship whose figurehead wears a necklace of beads, you would never guess that they were there to keep her head on!"

The most striking of Mr. Meadows' work is the head of an Indian chief he made for a yacht called "Warrior." A letter to the artist from the owner contains the secret. "Every ship," says the writer "has a character of its own, and in your craftsmanship I think you have effectively embodied the character of my little ship—vigorous, staunch and fearless."

When Men Loved Ships.

"I value that letter," said Mr. Meadows. "That is a man who loves his ship. In the old days, a man thought that nothing was too good for his ship, whatever type of vessel she might be. She was the one thing that mattered, she came before his house or his carriage, or anything; she was part of himself."

But it's not the same to-day. The old artist bent down and made a few contemptuous strokes to the outline that he had sketched on the floor, and the graceful raking cut-water that he had first designed seemed to take on the lines of an old bluff bowed tramp steamer. "There's your modern cruiser bows," he said. "Yachts and all. You can't make a beautiful, sweeping figurehead on bows like that; they're designed—with an eye to utility and convenience, not to beauty of line."

Mr. Meadows looked up from the sketch, and pocketed his crayons. "The cutaway bows will come back again, when men have come to think in the old way about the beauty of ships. And then, but not till then, their ships will all go to sea with figureheads."

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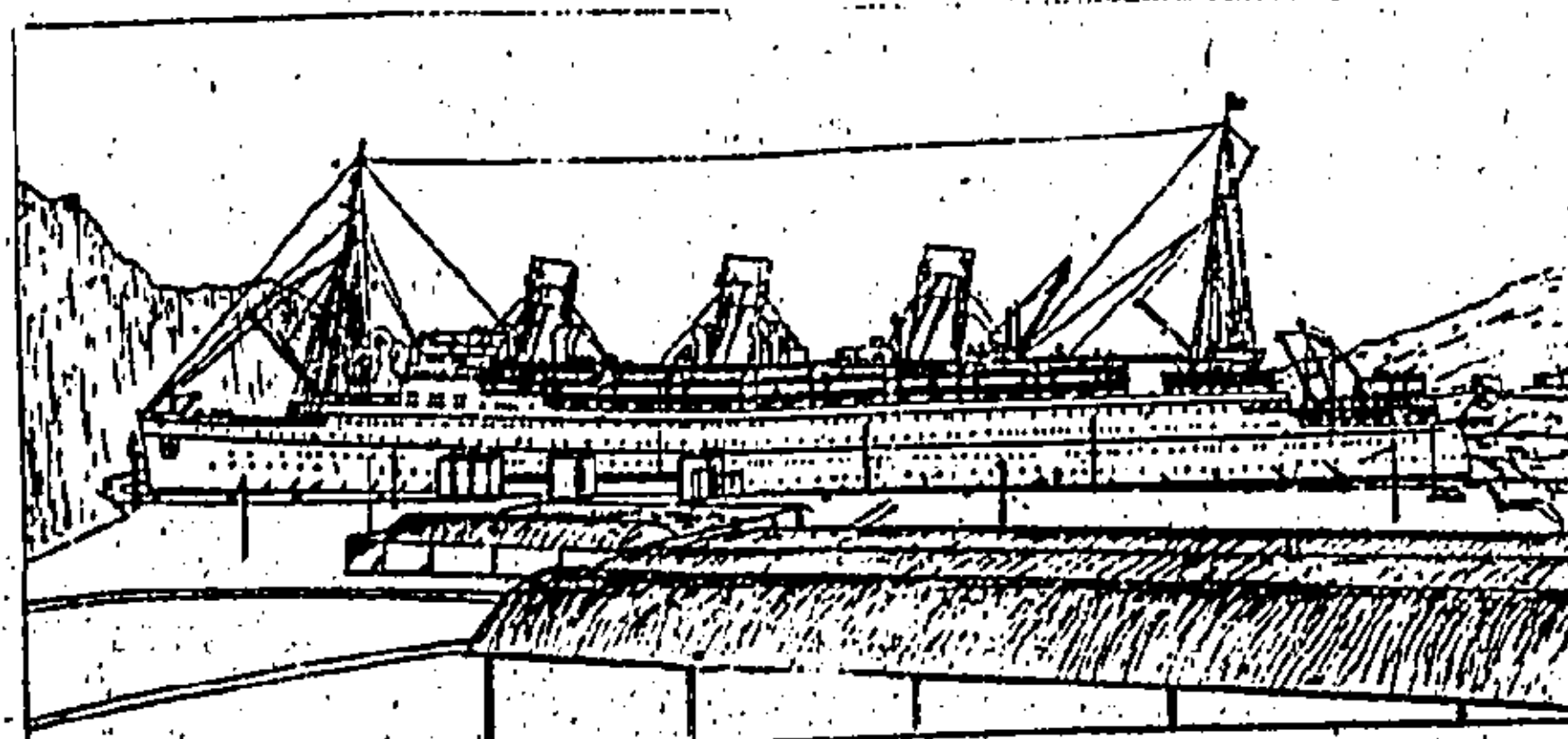
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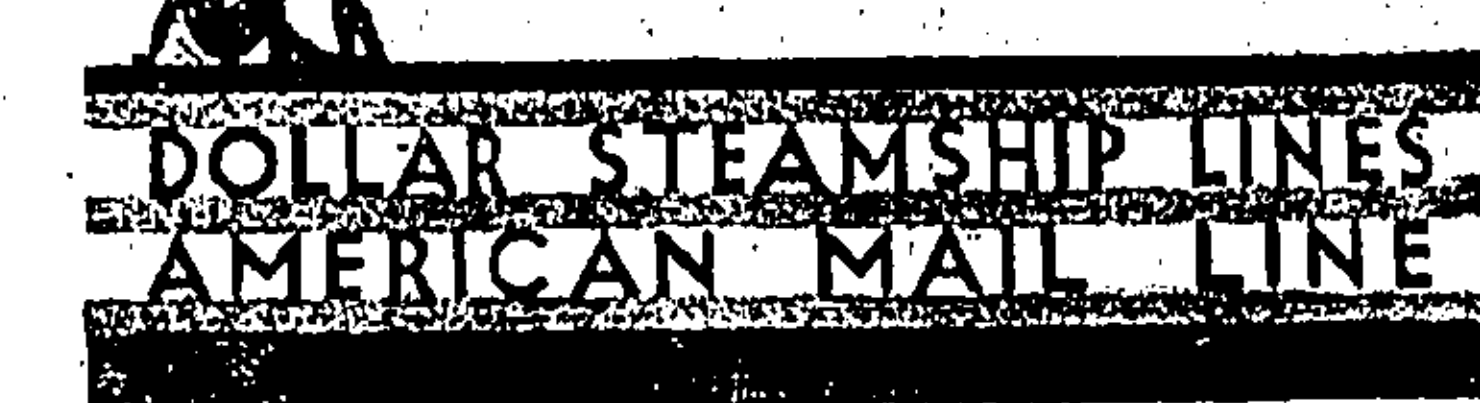
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TAI HING	MON. 17th	WED. 19th	THURS. 20th	FRI. 21st
TAI MING	WED. 19th	FRI. 21st	SAT. 22nd	SUN. 23rd
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UNMUZZLING THE PRESS.

Hindenburg Signs an Emergency Decree.

PRESS LAW ALTERED.

Berlin, Yesterday. President Hindenburg has signed an emergency decree amending the Press Law under which the Prussian Government last week forced newspapers to publish an anti-plebiscite manifesto.

Henceforth, any such publication is enforceable only if sanctioned by Government and Reich and must not exceed five hundred words.

Earlier News. Drs. Bruening and Curtius were very cheerful on their arrival from Rome, and expressed pleasure at the failure of the referendum.

Dr. Bruening laid stress on the fact that three million fewer Prussians voted in the plebiscite than for the Opposition parties last September, which seemed to indicate that the Radical wave was ebbing.—Reuter.

NAUTILUS FOR THE NORTH POLE.

Now on Way to Advent Bay.

UNDERSEA DASH.

Tromsø, Yesterday. The Nautilus left here at 6.30 p.m. for Advent Bay, Spitzbergen, from where it will start on its undersea dash to the North Pole.—Reuter.

Atlantic Ordeal. The submarine Nautilus, which broke down in mid-Atlantic while on her way to begin the great adventure of trying to reach the North Pole by the under-ice route, arrived in Cork Harbour with her bridge swept away, and many of her crew in a state of utter exhaustion.

She had been towed for 1,500 miles by the United States warship Wyoming, which took charge of her when the engine breakdown occurred nine days before.

Ten miles from Cork Harbour the tug Morcock took over the towage from the Wyoming and brought the submarine into port. Sir Hubert Wilkins, the British explorer, was on the submarine's deck, taking photographs while the vessel waited for the tug. He looked up from his camera to say "All's well" to inquiries who had gone out in motor-boats.

One of the crew of the Nautilus said: "It has been an extremely trying time for us all. Many of us were frightfully ill on the journey over here, and even now I feel almost poisoned by the fumes from the exhausts."

"Towards the end of last week we ran short of bread and meat, but the Wyoming gave us some provisions."

"One member of the crew offered \$10 to a small boat which came alongside us once for a bottle of beer or a glass of water. Some of us would have been willing to pay that even for an orange."

"While heavy seas swept over us we were cooped up inside, and were almost suffocated by the fumes."

KIDNAPPING A MINOR.

To Sell in the Country.

WOMAN REMANDED.

"I took the child to the country to sell him," said Sik Che, when facing a charge of kidnapping a male child, Lai Fai-lam, aged six years, on November 11 last.

Other people also concerned in the case were found guilty and convicted some time ago.

The father of the boy said he lived at 97, Prince Edward Road, and missed the child at about 3 p.m. on November 11. The matter was reported to the Police at 7 p.m. on the same day.

Questioned by Detective-Serg. Fitches, the boy said he recognized the woman. He said he met her in the street and she kidnapped him. She took him to the country where, for a while, she looked after him.

A statement taken from the woman yesterday at the Police Station, was read from the box. In it the woman stated that she, together with a man named Li Chuen, took the child to the country. For this she received \$14. The case was adjourned for a week.

WOMAN GAGGED.

Armed Robbers Loot Chinese Flat.

Four Chinese, armed with daggers, perpetrated a robbery on the third floor of 95, Argyle Street yesterday, and got away with a haul of jewellery to the total value of \$306.50, including a platinum wrist watch, attached to a black band, valued at \$150.

From a Police report, it appears that, at the time, Lam Hang-fong (23), a married woman, was alone in the flat. Somebody rung the door bell, and asked to see her brother, Fuk Hing. She opened the door and the four robbers entered, pushing her into a cubicle where they bound and gagged her.

CLUTCHING HAND.

Twelve strokes of the birch and six months' hard labour was awarded Kwong Wah at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, when he admitted having snatched a pair of gold and jade earrings off an amah in Reclamation Street.

He approached the woman from behind and, having snatched the earrings from off her ears, bolted. He was eventually caught by a sanitary coolie.

SEE YAP CASE.

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The Closure.

Counsel's next point dealt with the chairman's power of closure. He submitted that the Trial Judge took a view erroneous in law when he ruled that the chairman must have the consent of every shareholder present before closing the meeting. Cases he would quote would show that the chairman could dissolve the meeting with the consent of the majority present, after the minority had received a fair hearing.

The case is proceeding.

KING AND QUEEN IN LONDON.

Privy Council Meeting.

BALMORAL VISIT.

Rugby, Yesterday. Their Majesties the King and Queen returned to London to-day from Cowes, where they had spent a fortnight on board the Royal yacht "Victoria and Albert". The King has enjoyed several days' racing in his cutter "Britannia".

To-morrow, after a meeting of the Privy Council, Their Majesties will travel from King's Cross Station to Sandringham and, after a short stay there, will proceed to Balmoral.—British Wireless Service.

SHARES QUIET BUT STEADY.

Raubs The Only Change of Note.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY.

The official summary of share transactions issued by the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning is as under:—

The Stock Market was quiet but steady this morning, the only change of note being Raubs, which changed hands at \$32.50.

Banks were wanted at yesterday's buying quotation of \$2,035 ex div.

Unions were buyers at \$567.50, but without leading to business.

Hong Kong Fires had buyers offering \$1,460, but shares were dealt in at \$1,465.

Cantons remained unchanged at the previous rate.

Underwriters were enquired at \$5 with sales following at \$6.10.

Raubs, which yesterday had buyers at \$38.50, were the medium of sales at the advanced quotation of \$42.50, buyers offering \$41.

Providents were reported sales at \$6.20.

Hotels (old) had buyers at \$17 with sellers in evidence at \$17.35. The new shares were wanted at \$16.75, and sales were reported at yesterday's rates of \$16.80/90.

Lands were buyers at \$32, but without leading to business.

Humphreys (new) were done at \$21.75.

Realities had buyers offering \$17.35, but without business being transacted.

Star Ferries were \$93 buyers and sales were reported at \$93.25.

China Lights changed hands at \$26.15 with buyers available at \$26.10.

Cements, at \$19.50 buyers with sellers wanting \$19.85, were dealt in at \$19.75.

Constructions were enquired for at \$18, but sellers were reluctant to do business under \$18.30.

A total of \$948,103,207 of Canadian bond issues for the year to the middle of June is shown in the weekly summary of A. E. Ames & Co. This figure compares with \$373,293,819 for the corresponding period of last year and with \$344,165,229 for that of 1929. Government bonds represent nearly four-fifths of the total flotations this year; to date, of \$759,540,705.

Municipal bonds made up an aggregate of \$69,638,502; Corporation, \$49,924,000 and Railway, \$70,000,000.

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE
QUEEN'S
TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

"Our Mary" More Captivating Than Ever As A Modern Madcap!



A Great Star's Greatest Hit!

NEXT CHANGE

"FATHER PAYS THE BILLS!"

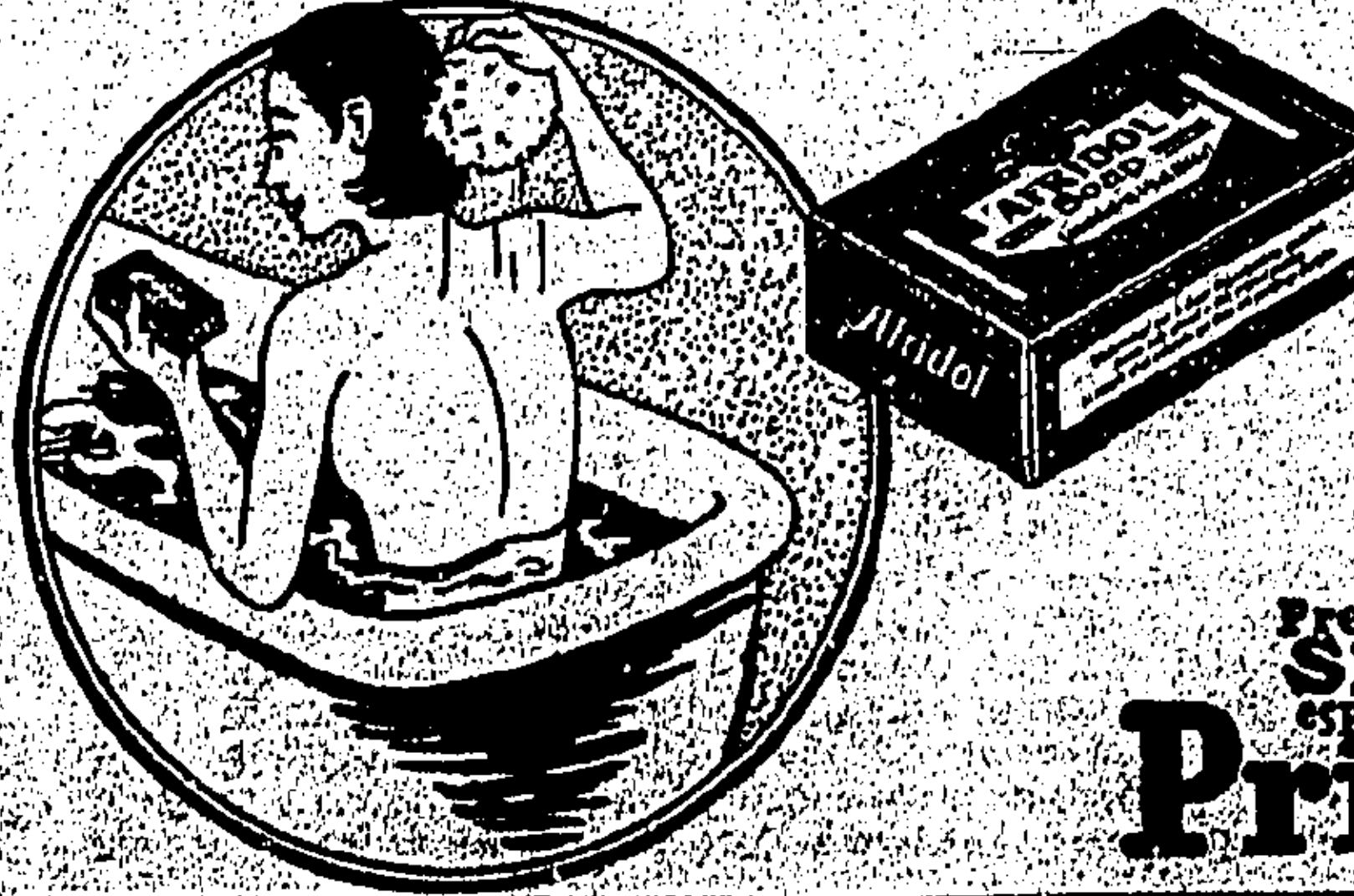
On with the dance! Let Youth be its king! Father pays the bills! And when you witness this seducing drama, you'll agree that the Talking Screen has reached a new mark in the sincere portrayal of humanity. Lively, reaching for the stars.



SINS OF THE CHILDREN

Louis Mann, Robert Montgomery, Elliott Nugent, Lella Hyams

A SAM WOOD Production



Afridol Soap
Prevents and cures SKIN DISEASES especially Prickly Heat